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An image of the £18 million glass covered water park with two slides at West Midland Safari Park

## How the water scheme at £18m hotel may look

THIS is the first glimpse of how an £18million hotel and water park scheme could look under plans proposed for West Midland Safari Park.

Artists' impressions for the ambitious scheme at the attraction, near Bewdley, have been produced by Croydon-based Ray Hole Architects.

The impressive images show a glass covered water park with two slides flowing into a large leisure pool surrounded by tropical trees.

There is also a hotel room, inspired by authentic African lodges, with a lounge opening out onto a view of the park

and the Wyre Forest countryside.

The firm says the complex would have "unrivalled views across the undulating landscape of the safari park" and help park bosses to offer more indoor attractions for year round visitors.

Ray Hole Architects designed the unique Snowdon Summit Centre in north Wales which opened two years ago. The firm was also one of six bidding for the contract to rebuild Grand Pier at Western Super Mare, following fire in 2008.

Park publicity officer Wendy Jackson said work on the 150-bed hotel and water park plans was still at an

early stage. Wyre Forest District Council's cabinet member for regeneration, Councillor Stephen Clee said the project would help boost tourism in the area. "The vision is for Wyre Forest to have a themed hotel at the safari park," he said.

The park opened in 1973 and covers 200 acres, including the 100-acre drive through safari. It attracts more than 600,000 visitors every year.

Last year historic Spring Grove House reopened in the park's grounds after being rebuilt at a cost of £5million following a devastating fire on Christmas Eve 2006.

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# £60M TOURISM PLAN TO BOOST ECONOMY

A £60MILLION tourism concept set to boost Kidderminster's economy is already making way for plans which could create more than 340 jobs across Worcestershire.

As part of the ReWyre Initiative civic and business leaders have been reviewing proposals to promote the town as a base for tourists.

The project at the forefront of the initiative involves the area's two biggest attractions — the West Midland Safari and Leisure Park and Severn Valley Railway, which between them bring more than 750,000 visitors to the area.

Proposals include the creation of a 1,000-delegate conference centre with hotel, water park and direct link to the SVR.

Ivan Knezovich, managing director of West Midland Safari Park, said: "We are at the very early developmental stages of planning but are actively considering proposals. We want to do something truly unique. We think we have hit on the right idea."

Nick Ralls, SVR general manager, said: "We are interested in working with the Safari Park to examine the potential."

Wyre Forest District Council and Destination Worcestershire teamed up with Hereford and Worcestershire Chamber of Commerce to map out the wider economic benefits of the proposal.

### Landmark

Mark Moore, chairman of ReWyre, said: "The town has a lot to offer and as soon as we heard this proposition we thought it worth investigating further."

"Subject to appropriate environmental mitigation it seemed clear to us that this could be one of the economic landmark projects for the area."

It is hoped the development would produce a ripple effect, creating even more jobs and an additional injection of more than £25m a year into Worcestershire's

economy. A master plan has been developed which will guide the forthcoming stages of a six-week public consultation that begins today (May 26).

Councillor Julian Phillips, Wyre Forest District Council's cabinet member with responsibility for place shaping, said: "The developed part of the Safari Park site would become a major developed site in Green Belt which will facilitate a limited number of scenarios such as small scale infill."

The Safari Park confirmed that it does not yet intend to submit a planning application in order to allow time to develop a plan during the consultation period.

Proposals are also in place for two new chain hotels, including developments on land adjacent to the Watermill, in Park Lane, and the upper floors of Slingfield Mill, at Weavers Wharf. To find out more about the applications visit [www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk](http://www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk)

A roadshow to highlight the plans will be at Kidderminster Market on Saturday (10am-4pm).

Other venues include Bewdley Museum (June 4), Rowland Hill Centre in Kidderminster (June 9) and the former Lloyds Garage in Stourport (June 11).

## Splashing time in store at duck race



Carnival queen Jessica Homan with some of the racing ducks

CARNIVAL organisers hope duck race goers will be waddling to Kidderminster's Tesco store in their droves this weekend to peck up the winning ticket.

The town centre is set to go quackers as people cheer hundreds of plastic participants on their way along the River Stour from Tesco's bridge to the finishing line on Saturday (May 28) at 4pm.

Carnival committee members will be in town to sell duck race tickets at £1 each with all money raised going to this year's charities.

Chairman Steve Walker said: "The duck race is a bit of a laugh. We hope the people of the town will enter into the spirit of the occasion."

### Procession

The carnival is on Saturday, June 18 in Brinton Park and charities, voluntary groups, commercial organisations and fun-loving families and individuals are being called on to take part in its inaugural foot procession. The event is replacing the procession of floats after entries dwindled.

Carnival organisers hope the foot procession will be welcomed by participants who found it increasingly difficult to dress lorries for the big occasion.

Mr Walker added: "Some of our stalwart entrants found it was the same few people helping year on year and they have gradually dropped out."

"Floats are a lot of work, if they are to look good and many people do not have the time. A foot procession should be much easier."

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## Jail threat to hit-run crash man

AN UNINSURED and unlicensed motorist from Kidderminster who pleaded guilty to dangerous driving and a hit-and-run crash has been warned he faces prison.

Jason Hudson, aged 33, of Wordsworth Crescent, was driving a green Peugeot 306 along Wall Well, Halesowen, on March 22 when he crashed and injured a man.

Dudley Magistrates Court was told last week that Hudson pleaded guilty to failing to stop after a road accident, failing to report it to the police, dangerous driving, and driving without a licence or insurance.

### Numerous

District Judge Graham Wilkinson committed Hudson to Crown Court for sentence on Thursday, June 16.

Because of his "numerous" previous convictions for similar offences he could expect a harsh sentence, he said.

"You must prepare yourself for custody."

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# Cry goes up for singers by June, 79

A WYRE Forest pensioner's choir is sending out an SOS to boost its voices after membership dwindled to just eight singers.

The Greenfield Singers, founded by June Hartley in 1990, boasted 23 women at one time.

But, over recent years, the numbers have plummeted as members have moved away, become ill or died.

Despite being a thin on the ground, the group recently won the Marguerite Hodson Cup for the best choir at Dudley Music Festival, holding off the challenge of singing groups who were much younger and much more numerous.

Founder and musical director June, aged 79, of Westhead Road, Cookley, near Kidderminster, said: "All they need is to be able to sing in tune - we'll do the rest."

"We are about to come of age, because the

choir was founded 21 years ago this autumn.

"During the 1990s we built up to around 23 members and we used to perform concerts around the area. But we're now down to two alto voices and six sopranos."

June added: "We still sing for pensioners' groups, at hospices and so on and, to us, winning the Dudley Music Festival cup was like being on the X Factor."

"We exploded afterwards - we were over the moon."

The Greenfield Singers are a loyal bunch. Most of the eight singers and accompanist, Jean Stokes have been with the choir for many years. They meet every Monday afternoon at the Baptist Church in Hanbury Hill, Stourbridge.

### Amused

But they are desperate for more members and are now appealing for women, of any age, to join them.

The choir grew out of singing lessons that June used to run from her former home in Hagley. Among her pupils was Pat Murray, of Church Road, Oldswinford, Stourbridge, who is still a member at the age of 85.

"It was my husband, Keith, who gave us the name Greenfield Singers because, in those days, we used to rehearse in New Hall at Greenfield Primary School," said Pat.

In its heyday, during the 1990s, the choir performed at venues including Worcester Cathedral, Huntingdon Hall, Worcester, and at Birmingham Tattoo.

The eight remaining members were amused to find that their total age is now 588 years.

"Singing keeps us young," said member Vera Trinder, aged 76.

Anyone interested in joining the Greenfield Singers is urged to contact June Hartley on 01562 850529.



June Hartley, front right, and Jean Stokes with the trophy, with choir members Pat Murray, top left, Mary Jones, Vera Trinder, Wendy Monger, Margaret Ling, Sylvia Stuckey, Gwen Williams and Pam Brown. Left, June takes a rehearsal



## Arrests on club raid and theft of copper

TWO men have been arrested in connection with a burglary at the Polish Ex Service Men's Club in Kidderminster during which copper piping was stolen.

The raid took place overnight between Wednesday, May 18, and 10.20am the following morning, when the break-in was discovered.

The premises had been entered and copper piping which was still connected to the gas mains had been removed from a secure yard outside. A power company was called in to make the gas supply safe.

West Mercia Police inquiries led to the arrest of two men, one in his 20s and one in his 30s, at addresses in the Blakebrook and Sutton Park areas of the town later that day, May 19.

### Suspicious

A quantity of copper piping, believed to have been stolen, was recovered.

The arrested men were questioned at Kidderminster police station before being released on police bail until June 27 pending further inquiries.

Police are keen to hear from anyone who noticed any suspicious activity around the ex-servicemen's club last Wednesday night.

Call 0300 333 3000 or Crimestoppers - anonymously on 0800 555 111.

### Fine over home

A REPORT in the Chronicle of May 12 carried the headline "Tenant is fined on state of home". In fact it was the landlord who was fined. We apologise for the error.

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# Mercy on £19,000 benefit claim mum

A MOTHER who was overpaid more than £19,000 benefits after failing to tell the authorities that she and her son were living at another address has received a suspended eight-week prison sentence.

Samantha Campbell, aged 37, of Leswell Lane, Kidderminster, has yet to pay back any of the money.

She had received income support and housing benefit as a single parent, the town's magistrates heard last Thursday. But her son had moved in with his father when she had to go into hospital in June 2006. After leaving hospital Campbell had also moved to that address.

She failed to report the change to the Department of Work and Pensions and was overpaid between June 2006 and December 2009. The total amount paid out was £19,321.

## Convicted

Campbell was also ordered to carry out 120 hours' unpaid work and pay legal costs of £250.

She had been convicted in her absence of failing to notify a change in circumstances.

Mrs Catherine Maynereid, defending, said: "She believed herself to still be the sole carer for her son and did not think notification was necessary. It was a genuine misunderstanding."

Campbell did not receive notification of the earlier hearing, she added. "It was always her intention to plead guilty."

## Read all about it on the river



Toby Hyams, left, Isabel Mugridge and Conner Whittall enjoy their reading

YEAR 2 children at St Catherine's CE Primary School created a River of Reading to illustrate how many different ways reading is important in life.

The youngsters at the school in Marlpool Lane, Kidderminster, collected examples of everything that they read over one weekend

and brought them into school to share with their classmates.

## Enjoyment

The range of reading material was amazing: from books to train tickets, menus to food packages, game instructions to DVD boxes, according to the youngsters

teacher, Catherine Brogan.

"The children discussed which reading was most interesting and useful and which things they enjoyed and didn't enjoy reading."

"It gives the children a chance to see that reading is a vital life skill and can be a great source of enjoyment."

## Asda may U-turn in uproar on road link

A NEW link road to a new supermarket could be scaled back after uproar from Kidderminster traders who claim their businesses will be hit.

Asda wants to create a new store and cafe at a derelict carpet factory site in Horsefair.

Independent shops are opposing plans to close Blackwell Street to through traffic and create an alternative route behind existing shops to Asda's car park.

Asda bosses said that the plans could be altered in the wake of the traders' protests.

But they refused to reveal any details of what changes might be made until a formal planning application is made in the coming weeks.

## Listening

The scheme was first unveiled earlier this year.

Bosses have spent the last few months putting together the planning application.

Avnish Raichura, property communications manager for Asda, said: "We are listening to what local people have to say on the plans before we submit our application."

"We are taking into account their views to shape that application," he added.

Traders have written to Asda protesting against the plan, which includes offices, 25 homes and a community centre.

A link road from Churchfields to the St Mary's Ringway roundabout is proposed to help ease traffic, but they fear this will divert potential customers away.

Bill Sidhu, who has run the post office in Horsefair for 20 years, said: "We have made our feelings known to Asda."

"We will now wait and see how they respond when the final plans are submitted."

## Hall nets a year online

COOKLEY Village Hall is getting a year's free broadband.

It is one of a dozen community and voluntary groups in the West Midlands to benefit from the BT initiative.

The Get IT Together programme will give people the chance to get online and discover the benefits of the internet.

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### African hi-tech village opens at safari park

WEST Midland Safari Park has opened an African-themed village as part of its £1m investment for 2011.

The new walk-through exhibit is in an area beside a natural lake that formed part of Spring Grove in grounds landscaped by Capability Brown in the 1800s.

The interactive village comes complete with eight rendered and thatched village huts, that incorporate animal housing, a gift shop and an example of an African home that allows visi-

tors to peek behind the scenes. It has an outside living area and its own vegetable plot.

Visitors can feed some of the free range Somali sheep, pygmy goats and Cameroonian sheep.

#### Hedgehogs

The Village Keeper gives talks to accompany animal feeding demonstrations and introduce other small animals such as the giant African land snail or pygmy hedgehog.

Bob Lawrence, director of wildlife, said, "You feel the true



West Midland Safari Park's African village hides hi-tech features spirit of Africa – the animals in that area are indigenous to Africa and Madagascar.

"The area is well equipped and comes with thermostatically controlled heating, audio display and fibre optic broadband. "It's probably one of the most hi-tech African villages."

Details are on [www.wmssp.co.uk](http://www.wmssp.co.uk) or 01299 402114.

# Crisis meeting as 30 roads crumble

FAMILIES fighting to have roads on a Kidderminster estate adopted by the council have called a crisis meeting with no action yet taken – eight months after they were promised it was "imminent".

People living in 30 streets around Waterside Grange have been battling to get the roads taken over by Worcestershire County Council for more than a decade.

Last September, a letter was sent out by the authority saying that adoption of the streets concerned was "imminent".

But residents and councillors in the area demanded answers. County council bosses vowed they remained committed to the policy and claimed residents would see results soon.

Residents are arranging a public meeting at St Mary's School, in Lyndhurst Drive, early next month to discuss the delay.

Because their roads are not adopted they do not receive services such as street cleaning or road maintenance.

Householders are angry they still pay the same amount of council tax as other areas. An attempt to get a cut in tax last year failed.

Councillor Howard Martin, who has been battling to have the roads adopted for years, said the situation could not be allowed to continue.

#### Letter

"Last year we received a letter saying adoption of these roads was imminent but still nothing has happened," he said.

"Every time we have queried it we seem to get the same response but still nothing happens."

Residents have been fighting for this a long time and it is time something was done.

"A meeting is being organised for early in June for residents to discuss how this campaign can be pushed forward."

"Hopefully we will be able to get a resolution in the near future."

Worcestershire County Council cabinet member for highways and transport Councillor John Smith OBE said last week: "Progress is being made."

"Some remedial works have already been completed and now there are just some final items that need to be resolved with the administrator before the county council can adopt the roads."

"We remain hopeful that completion is close."

## Canal side will come alive

THE canal side will come alive this weekend for Kidderminster's second waterway festival which this year marks Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Society's 50th anniversary.

More than 25 boats are set to take to the waters at Weavers Wharf on Saturday and Sunday.

Playing host to Staffordshire and Worcestershire's annual meeting, the festival will celebrate five decades since the group's first gathering back in the 1960s.

The Dreamcatcher passenger barge will transport visitors along the canal, towards Stourport while the Scorpio working heritage boat will be moored to give crowds the chance to learn more about the industrial heritage of the canals.

#### Music

An array of music and entertainment will also take place around the canal side square, behind Debenhams, and along Weavers Wharf.

Organised by Wyre Forest District Council, as part of the ReWyre Regeneration Initiative, the event aims to improve and transform the canal side areas in the town.

Councillor John Campion, leader of Wyre Forest District Council, said: "Last year's festival saw lots of people come down to the canal and we are eager to build on this success."

"Promoting the canal, and indeed the town, as a visitor destination is an important economic opportunity."

"The canal is a fantastic asset that we have not fully utilised in the past and ReWyre aims to capitalise on this."

For more information about the festival visit [www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/kidderminstercanalfestival](http://www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/kidderminstercanalfestival)



Preparing for the festival are, back from left, Matt Barker, regeneration officer, Wyre Forest District Council and Colin Cartwright, Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Society. Front from left, Councillor Stephen Clee, chairman of Wyre Forest District Council and Ken Prosser, vice-chairman

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## Fun and frisbees at the sports day

FUN and frisbees are the key to a half-term sports day event at a Kidderminster park.

It is being staged at St George's Park as part of National Family Week.

The event, from noon to 3pm on Thursday, June 2 is being run by Wyre Forest District Council's sports development team.

Numerous activities will feature, including football, basketball, dance and ultimate frisbee.

Suitable clothing and footwear should be worn for the sports activities.

Councillor Tracey Onslow, cabinet member for community well-being, said: "We're working with National Family Week and other partners to encourage families to spend more time together."

"The sports day is a great opportunity for families to have a go at different sports and rediscover the games they enjoy playing as a family. It's a free afternoon out so why not come along and join in the fun?"

NFW is backed by all major political parties.

## Talk that should bear fruit

BEWDLEY and District Horticultural Society is preparing to host its next fruitful meeting.

Guest speaker Vic Aspland will discuss bulbs on Wednesday June 1.

The meeting takes place at Wribbenhall Community Centre, Shaw Hedge Road.

Those wishing to attend should arrive by 7.35pm for a 7.45pm start.

Admission is £1.50 which includes refreshments.

Non-members are also welcome.

## Roof lead raider admits stealing

A MAN caught with lead removed from the roof of an historic Kidderminster building has been given a six-month community order.

Clint Hubble, aged 35, of Park Street, admitted theft when he appeared before the town's magistrates last Thursday.

Miss Webley said Hubble had not removed the lead himself. He had been told by another party there was lead available for collection.

A drug rehabilitation condition was part of the community order. He was also ordered to pay £85 costs.

Morrisons supermarket chain and will be used to house the town's planned Carpet Museum.

Hubble was one of three men seen carrying the metal along Green Street by police. Two of them, including Hubble, were detained.

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## Gateway is opening to the jungle garden

A JUNGLE garden near Stourport featured on BBC's Gardeners World opens its doors to the public this weekend.

Astley Towne House garden, postcode DY13 0RH, is owned by Tim and Lesley Smith, and includes sub-tropical planting, winding paths of jungle garden incorporating bananas, palms and many other rare and exotic plants.

Other features in the two-and-a-half acre garden, which the BBC featured last September, include a stumpy garden, woodland temple, tree top high safari lodge,

revolving neo-classical summerhouse, columns with statuary and grotto based on Greek mythology with water features and shell mosaics.

Astley Towne House, an Elizabethan cottage about three miles south-west of Stourport, opens its garden gates from 1pm until 5pm this Sunday, May 29. Admission is £4 for adults, and accompanied children go in free.

There are also gardens open in Hartlebury and other parts of Worcestershire. More information on NGS gardens is at [www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk).



Astley Towne House, near Stourport

## Drug addict tried to lift lead from roof of hospital to fund his habit

A DRUG addict tried to steal lead from the roof of Kidderminster Hospital to fund his habit, a court heard.

Michael Williams, aged 26, was caught by police as he attempted to escape the scene in the early hours of March 24.

He and two others had been seen on the roof of the hospital, in Bewdley Road, prompting an onlooker to call the police.

Officers later found two rolls of lead near to where the three had first been spotted. The roof had also been damaged, Kidder-



Michael Williams tried to take lead from a hospital roof, Kidderminster magistrates were told

minster magistrates heard.

Williams, of Park Street, Kidderminster, pleaded guilty to attempted theft.

A 16-year-old, who cannot be named for legal reasons, also pleaded guilty to the attempted theft from the hospital when he appeared before the court.

He was due to be sentenced later. The third person managed to flee the scene.

### Captured

Williams also admitted a further charge of attempted theft from the roof of the Cooper Mortimer Plant building, in Church Street, on March 28.

The court heard he had been

captured on CCTV trying to tear down the metal from a low roof while standing on a recycling box.

Williams had failed to remove the lead, managing only to dislodge it.

Williams, originally from America, received a 12-month community order, was placed under supervision.

He was also ordered to attend drug rehabilitation.

Mr Charles Hobbs, defending, said: "The offending is linked to a problem my client has with heroin."

# Care home bid for school's old base

## Pupils and police set to clean up

PUPILS will join forces with Stourport's local policing team next month to clean-up the town's Riverside area.

The work is to be carried out in response to concerns raised at a local Pact (Partners and Communities Together) meeting.

Litter will be targeted during a clear-up in the morning on Friday, June 17, when the policing team will be joined by pupils from Wilden First School, Burlish Park Primary School, Lickhill First School, St Wulstan's Primary School, Stourport Primary School, St Bartholomew's Primary School and Stourport High School.

Each school will be sending 10 pupils to take part and representatives from partner organisations will also be involved.

Bags for the litter pick are being provided by the national campaign The Big Tidy Up.

ONE of Kidderminster's most notable buildings will be transformed into a nursing home under plans which have been unveiled.

Grade II listed Woodfield House in Bewdley Road, is the former site of the King Charles I School.

Plans have now be lodged to extend and convert the property, which is empty, so it can be redeveloped into a nursing home.

Woodfield House was built in 1785 and has most recently been used as medical offices.

It was owned by an NHS trust and used by community nurses.

The school was founded in around 1566 by Thomas Blount, Lord of the Manor of Kidderminster, and was in the chantry of the parish church of St Mary and All Saints from 1566 until 1848 when it moved to Bewdley Road.

It was granted the Royal Charter

in 1636 by Charles I and was the only school in England to bear his name.

Woodfield Enterprises has applied to Wyre Forest District Council to extend and alter the building.

The agent for the application, Steven Greybanks, said: "It will make a very nice nursing home, particularly due to its features such as the high ceilings."

If given the go-ahead the work would involve a single-storey extension to the east of the property along with dormers to the roof.

### Created

If Wyre Forest Council planners opt to approve the scheme, jobs will be created.

Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust sold the building in 2009 for £430,000.

King Charles I School is now split between two sites in Comberton Road and Borington.

## Open day fires imaginations of young

FIREFIGHTERS in Kidderminster gave families a tour of their station at an open day which attracted around 1,000 visitors.

They were given a close-up view of equipment and vehicles used by crews.

They also had the chance to visit the smoke house, where the conditions of a fire were recreated inside a tent and the importance of smoke alarms was demonstrated.

Crews also showed how they would rescue a person from a building during the event at the fire station in Castle Road.

Members of the Young Firefighters Association showcased their skills in a number of drills.

Watch commander John Bristow said: "It was a really successful day."

"The children enjoyed the smoke tent and we got the fire safety message across by showing smoke alarms."



Young Firefighters Association members, back from left, Abi Davis, Lynne Essex and Tom Moore with, front, firefighters John Mustafa and Martin Poole

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Best feet forward as recumbent tricyclists lap the track. Below right, a faired model which cuts down wind resistance

## Laid-back racers pedal up to 35mph

THE British Human Power Club Championships come to Wyre Forest next week.

Round Three of the 2011 championships will be held on Saturday, June 4, at Stourport Sports Club's Kingsway track, with the first race starting at 11am.

The expected crowds will see a variety of Human Power

Vehicles (HPVs), ranging from two wheeled totally enclosed Streamliners to unfaired Recumbent Trikes.

### Designers

The faster riders can be expected to lap the 1.4km Stourport circuit at up to 35mph.

This is an ideal opportunity to 'get up close' to these unusual

machines and to meet their designers, builders and riders, say the BHPC organisers.

This might inspire more people to get involved in this novel but growing form of cycle racing.

More information about the British Human Power Club can be found at the [www.bhpc.org.uk](http://www.bhpc.org.uk) website.



# CAN-do attitude cuts crime in half

CRIME has almost halved in one area of Stourport since a community organisation was launched in 2003.

Crimes in Newtown fell from 130 in 2003 to 69 in 2010 - down 47 per cent.

Vehicle crimes fell from 21 to 13, violent crime from 29 to 15, and criminal damage to vehicles fell from 44 to nine.

Community Action Newtown (CAN) was formed under West Mercia Police's Urban Safety Initiative in 2003 with the assistance of the late Councillor Jill Fairbrother Millis.

A voluntary group of residents, young people, police, clergy, and representatives from schools, the youth service and housing set out to improve leisure facilities for young people, reduce crime and anti social behaviour and improve the environment.

In 2006, CAN won the government Respect award.

Widower Dave Millis helped unveil a new bench in memory of Mrs Fairbrother Millis at Manor Farm. The play area has new swings and rockers, and a multi use games area has been created, jointly funded by Wyre Forest Community Housing and CAN.

### Portable

Marina Banner, of Wyre Forest Community Housing Group, said: "We recognise how important it is for children to have a safe place to play and be able to enjoy more positive activities such as sports and ball games rather than take part in anti-social behaviour."

Local Policing Officer Pc Jon Harris said: "CAN goes from strength to strength. There are now youth clubs open in the Newtown area four nights of the week, social events for pensioners, and an annual community fun day."

"CAN has purchased roller skates to support a roller disco, and a portable CCTV system which can be loaned out to residents experiencing anti social behaviour or crime."

"A fall of 47 per cent in seven years is incredible, and Jill Fairbrother Millis would have been thrilled."



Marina Banner, left, John Gordon, CAN chairman, PCSO Lisa Hopkins and Dave Millis

## Time's up for abseil volunteers

DAREDEVILS with a head for heights are being urged to abseil more than 160ft in aid of disabled children.

The event on Sunday, July 17, at Abberley Hall clock tower, near Stourport, is hosted by national charity Children Today to raise funds to provide equipment for disabled young people.

### Experienced

Plucky volunteers will be guided down the tower by experienced instructors.

To take part, contact the events team at Children Today at [ceri@childrentoday.org.uk](mailto:ceri@childrentoday.org.uk) or call them on 01244 335622.

A £10 registration fee and minimum sponsorship of £50 per person are required.

## Classics on period instruments

THE Corelli Orchestra brings a programme of baroque classics to Ludlow tomorrow, with a mix of the familiar and not-so-familiar.

Specialising in period-instrument performance, they include Albinoni's oboe concerto in D minor, and two of Bach's best-known

## Crafty staff hoping to round up hoops

CRAFTY helpers in Bewdley can lend a hand in the construction of a life size horse made entirely from willow hoops at a bank holiday event.

Bewdley Museum's free crafts alive fun day will take place on Monday, May 30, between 11am and 4pm.

Skilled Worcestershire craftsman Chris Atkins will be on hand to assist visitors with their creations while Caroline Turner, resident craft worker and a member of the museum team, will be leading the construction of the willow horse.

"As soon as I started working on the horse people were fascinated by it and it is really exciting for me to see him taking shape," she said.

### Wildlife

"I still need lots of willow hoops to finish it and hope that people will come along to the event and help me."

Members of the Kidderminster Bee Keepers Association will make a guest appearance at the museum in Load Street, Bewdley, to showcase their award winning observation hive.

A children's wildlife garden design competition is another attraction being laid on for the bank holiday. Visit [www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/museum](http://www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/museum) for a full programme of events.

## George, 91, toasts Old Comrade

A BREWERY has launched a special edition beer to mark the 90th anniversary of its local Royal British Legion branch.

Hobsons Brewery, based in Cleobury Mortimer, is brewing Old Comrade in honour of the town's RBL branch.

Nationally, the RBL got under way in May 1921 and the small Shropshire town was quick to follow, setting up its branch just two months later.

The commemorative bottled beer is now available from a range of stockists and local pubs.

Five pence from each bottle sold will be donated to the Poppy Appeal. The Cleobury branch launched its special beer at the Bell Inn, Cleobury with the help of 91-year-old member George Poyner, MBE.



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## Stage set for a Den of iniquity

DEATH by Fatal Murder, starring onetime "Dirty Den" Leslie Grantham, comes to north Worcestershire this weekend.

Richard Gibson, formerly Herr Flick in 'Allo, 'Allo' also stars in the comedy crime mystery at The Palace Theatre, Redditch, tomorrow (Friday) and on Saturday, at 7.30pm.

### Helpless

Inspector Pratt's record of crime detection at Bagshot House is not enviable. On his previous visit, the body count mounted disastrously as he looked on, helpless. He is back – and chaos reigns supreme.

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Former EastEnders actor Leslie Grantham

## Catering contract offered at council

THE deadline passed this week for catering firms to bid for the contract to provide cafe facilities at Wyre Forest Council's new headquarters.

The £10 million building will be created at Finepoint Business Park, Stourport Road, Kidderminster, and is due to open next summer.

### Ethical

It will incorporate a food area which will be available to staff and members of the public.

The council has been looking for a company to provide food, catering for events and evening meetings.

The council leader Councillor John Campion

said: "This is a fantastic opportunity for caterers to be involved in our new headquarters."

"We're looking for someone to provide healthy and affordable food which is appealing to our employees and members of the public, as the cafe will be open to the public too."

Councillor Campion added: "We'll be looking for quality but also an ethical company which considers environmental issues."

The deadline for bidders was due to expire on Tuesday, May 24.

It is intended that the contract from the council will be for an initial seven-year period.



Mess dumped by Jason William Jones in a farmer's field at Chadwick Lane, Hartlebury

# Shame of country fly-tipper

A STOURPORT-on Severn man has been ordered to pay £5,540 in fines and court charges after being prosecuted for fly tipping. Jason William Jones, aged 39, of Worcester Road, Tittot, admitted two duty of care charges over dumping felled tree trunks on private land.

Jones accepted that he did not take all care legally required to dispose of his waste, although he did not accept that he had done the dumping himself.

The first incident occurred on land off Chadwick Lane, Hartlebury, on May 24, 2010, and the second off the B4193 from Hartlebury to Stourport on October 7, 2010.

Both sites are owned by the same farmer, who has had previous problems with fly-tipping.

### Criminal

Jones was fined £1,500 for the May incident and £2,000 for the October one by Worcester magistrates. He was also ordered to pay £2,025 in costs and £15 victim surcharge.

Jones told the court he normally took his waste to a site where the wood was chipped and disposed of correctly, but did not on these two occasions.

Dave Roberts, Wychavon District Council's environmental crime enforcement officer, said: "Fly-tipping is a criminal act that we take very seriously."

"Anybody caught illegally dumping waste can face fines of up to £50,000 or a five-year prison sentence."

"We investigate all incidents and can prosecute."

## Beakbane's top Trumpf

BEAKBANE, a major Kidderminster engineering firm, has invested £500,000 in a new machine to improve accuracy and reduce waste.

The company, the UK's leading manufacturer of bellows and machinery protection systems, has bought a TruMatic 6000 high performance CNC punch-laser combination machine from German equipment firm Trumpf.



The Apprentice hopefuls being filmed in action at Merry Hill shopping centre last October

## Soft-soap tactics by TV Apprentices

HIT reality TV show The Apprentice moved to Merry Hill Shopping Centre this week as the hopefuls become "soap" stars for the day.

Trailers for the show to be broadcast last night (Wednesday) showed the candidates selling soap and other beauty products at the Brierley Hill centre and at Birmingham's Bullring.

Shoppers suspected the BBC1 show was being filmed in the Midlands last October.

### Camera

Lord Sugar's sidekick, Karren Brady, was spotted being interviewed on camera, as a team of "salespeople" were selling soap and other beauty products from a stall at Merry Hill.

Ms Brady was overheard being interviewed on camera by a producer, talking about "contestants" and "sales tech-



A Merry Hill shopper talks to Susan Ma

niques" and taking notes as she observed the sellers.

Among those who were approached was 38-year-old Jo Enwright. She bought fake tan for £25.

Jo said: "They were very good at selling. I was definitely convinced."

## School's £1m new block

A NEW £1 million classroom block for Winterfold House School, Chaddesley Corbett, will be unveiled on Saturday, June 25. The building will be opened by Marchioness Hertford, whose four children attended the private school.

## Ceroc is on a roll

CEROC, a dance fusing salsa, hip-hop and jive, is being taught at Cookley Village Hall on Tuesdays at 7pm.

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# River death should have been avoided

THE death of a gap year student from Wyre Forest in a riverboarding accident in New Zealand could have been avoided if better safety measures had been in place, a coroner said.

Emily Jordan, aged 21, drowned as she was trapped under a rock while riding a bodyboard down fast-flowing rapids on holiday with her boyfriend in 2008.

The firm running the activity was criticised for "inadequate" equipment and training.

A jury at Smethwick Council House recorded a verdict of misadventure – as directed by Black Country Coroner Robin Balmain – and drew up a list of contributing factors to her death.

Operators Mad Dog Riverboarding failed to give participants information that "clearly rep-

resented the true risks and danger involved", the nine jurors said.

Mr Balmain said: "The tragedy of this case is on the findings of the jury – with which I entirely agree – there is the likelihood that Emily's death could have been avoided."

The inquest heard that Mad Dog staff did not carry safety ropes and took 20 minutes to free Miss Jordan, of Trimpley, near Bewdley.

## Delaying

They eventually used a rope from another adventure firm passing by. The jury said lack of essential lifesaving equipment to hand was a major factor in delaying the rescue.

An unsuitable safety vest Miss Jordan was given was highlighted, along with inadequate training for guides not specific to river boarding. A New Zealand Government review says

operators need an annual safety audit and to be on a register.

Miss Jordan's father, Chris Jordan, who campaigned for tighter regulations, said after the hearing: "There have been a lot of good words about this – but all the action is yet to take place."

"Currently, in reality, nothing has changed. "Emily was a bright, intelligent girl. She enjoyed having life and having fun but would not have taken unnecessary risks."

The firm was fined £26,000 in 2009 by a New Zealand court ordered to pay the Jordan family £33,500 compensation.

Miss Jordan was on a gap year with her boyfriend Jonathan Armour, from Dorset. He gave evidence at the inquest last week.

Both had graduated from Swansea University.



Emily Jordan drowned in 2008



Back from left, Jasmin Nickolls, Grace Baldwin, Emily Carrier. Front, from left, Jordan Rowbottom and Katie Wright

## 500 years seems just like yesterday

CHILDREN at a Stourport School travelled 500 years back in time to recreate Tudor life.

Year 5 pupils at Burlish Park Primary School, Windermere Way, performed a play called Tudor News 24, which involved them reporting from major events of the Tudor period.

In an hour-long performance the play took in the Battle of Bosworth, reported on Henry VIII's six wives, discussed the Catholic and Protestant church split, and gave

the lowdown on the Spanish Armada.

Pupil Katie Wright, aged 10, said: "I really enjoyed acting and I learnt lots at the same time."

Jasmin Nickolls, also aged 10, said: "It was great because it was a really active way to learn about the Tudors."

Year 5 teacher Heather Lindley said: "The children performed brilliantly and I hope this helps them to remember their Tudor topic for a long time."

## Fish and chips and all that jazz

WYRE Forest's committee for Cancer Research will be tuning up for a musical fundraiser.

The event, featuring Geoff Goodwin and his Jazzmen, takes place at the Black Boy, Kidderminster Road, Bewdley, on Friday, July 22.

## Restaurant

Tickets, which include a fish and chip supper, are £15 and available by calling 01562 823825.

At the committee's most recent event, at The Granary Hotel & Restaurant, Shenstone, on May 10, more than 100 guests turned out and helped raise £1,000 for Cancer Research UK.

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Councillor Ed Moore

## Moore new chairman

A COUNCILLOR from a village near Kidderminster has been elected as the chairman of Worcestershire County Council for 2011-12.

Councillor Ed Moore has represented the Clent ward since 2005 and was vice-chairman of the authority in 2010-11.

He will be accompanied to some events during his year of office by his consort – Amy Moore, his daughter.

## Where there's a will, there's a bill-free way

EIGHT solicitors have backed a Kidderminster charity's campaign this week to raise awareness of the importance of making a will.

Kemp Hospice is running a Make a Will Week drive which ends tomorrow (Friday) and the solicitors are giving their time free to update or write wills, in return for a donation to the M500 Road hospice.

Suggested minimum donations to the hospice are £75 for a single will and £130 for a pair of mirror wills.

## Minimum

Anyone interested in making use of the free service are asked to contact one of the participating solicitors to make an appointment and mention Make a Will Week.

Appointments do not

have to take place before May 27, necessarily.

Ele Millward, Make a Will Week organiser, said: "Most people are aware that they should make a will but it's one of those things we all put off."

"Making a will ensures that your family and friends are looked after and that your wishes are carried out."

"This is an opportunity to get it done and help Kemp Hospice at the same time."

The solicitors are at DWT Legal Partners, Talbot, Thursfield, Amba Willwriting Services, Lumsdon Grindley, Marion Evans and Norris & Miles.

For an information pack contact Ele by emailing fundraising@kemp-hospice.org.uk or call 01562 861217.

## Jobs in store for 100 at Sainsbury

RENOVATIONS to a major supermarket in Kidderminster are expected to create up to 100 jobs.

Work to Sainsbury's, in Carpet Trades Way, is set to include an expanded sales area and the relocation of the cafe to a newly-created mezzanine floor.

## Extension

Access to the car park, petrol station and recycling area is also to be improved.

A website has been launched for shoppers to

monitor the progress of the extension works at the store in Carpet Trades Way and see information about new features and job opportunities.

Dave Parnell, Sainsbury's project manager, said: "We are delighted to be under way with the store extension, and will soon be able to offer our customers a much better shopping experience."

For more information visit [www.sainsbury-kidderminster.co.uk](http://www.sainsbury-kidderminster.co.uk) or call Richard Harris, free, on 0800 975 5299.

## The great outdoors

THE National Trust is backing the outdoor life.

The organisation has launched a "time to discover..." campaign to encourage families to visit its parks, countryside and gardens in half-term.

The move follows research showing 62 per cent of children only play indoors, missing the benefits from playing in the fresh air and discovering the world around them.

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Nicole Scherzinger
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Wonderland
- Science And Faith**  
The Script
- The Sound of Sunshine**  
Michael Franti & Spearhead
- I Can Blue**

**Well done, everybody - we're still around!**

NICE to see you all here. If you're reading this, then the world didn't end! Apparently the chap who predicted global demise, Harold Camping, said he was "flabbergasted" at the failure of his prediction.

Considering the mass hysteria this chap could have caused, I think "flabbergasted" is an understatement!

So we're all here and we're all healthy and there's lots to look forward to across the county in the next few weeks.

Join a Party of Pirates on a mission to take canoes from Arley to Bewdley Rowing Club on June 22. They are raising money for the Royal British Legion and Help For Heroes.

The festivities begin at 5pm at the George Hotel in Bewdley. Blackbeard's crew will then take you up to Arley to join forces with the crew from Sun Valley Canoes, paddling back to Bewdley for about 7.30pm.

Anyone interested in taking part can call Hilary on 01299 404760.

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Pop on and join me on the Breakfast Show every weekday where, as always, there's music, prizes and banter about.

As it's National Smile month we'll be giving away an electric toothbrush with a unique music competition. Find out more next week. Until then...keep brushing!

If you need to contact 107.2 The Wyre or have a community announcement, email [info@thewyre.com](mailto:info@thewyre.com)

**WEATHER UPDATE**

WIND with frequent showers or possibly even longer spells of rain is the gloomy forecast for today.

But conditions are expected to be much better and clearer tomorrow.

Moving into the weekend and early next week, it's the usual spring mix of brighter spells punctuated by the kind of sharp wettings that have you reaching quickly for that raincoat.



**DANI WOZENCROFT FROM WYRE NEWS WITH THE LATEST ROADWORKS**

Bringing travel updates to keep you moving . . .

- Kidderminster**  
A449 Chester Road North, temporary traffic lights at Lyndholme Road junction on May 29.
- Shatterford**  
Trimley Lane, temporary traffic lights from Romscombe Farm to Home Lodge until May 27.
- Bewdley**  
A456 Long Bank, 10mph speed limit between Bewdley By Pass and Lye Head Road for one week before May 30.
- Wolverley**  
B4189 Shatterford Lane, temporary traffic lights between Bridgnorth Road and Lowe Lane on May 27.
- Stourbridge**  
Foster Street East, closed in both directions between A491 St John's Road and Mount Street due to work on rebuilding town centre bus terminus until December 5, 2011.
- Ismere**  
A451 Stourbridge to Kidderminster road, one lane closed between Wagon Lane and Sugar Loaf Lane on May 26.
- Worcester**  
A44 Bromyard Road, resurfacing work and temporary traffic lights near Broadway Grove junction until July 14.

**Big Chill to warm hearts of fans**

CROWDS at this summer's Big Chill near Malvern this summer will be treated to some futuristic sounds from Down Under as more big names are added.

Confirmed to join the music festival in Eastnor Castle Deer Park from August 4-7 will be the Australian duo, Empire of the Sun, who will be performing on the Friday before the Chemical Brothers headline on the Deer Park Stage.

Nominated for the BBC Sound of Music poll in 2009, the duo, also known as Nick Littlemore and Luke Steel, have made waves with their glam-infused electronic tracks such as We are the People and Walking on a Dream.

Not just a band or an album, The Bullitts meanwhile is a 360 degree project centred around a mysterious plot led by the fictional character Amelia Sparks, masterminded by producer Jaymes Samuels.

**Limelight**

Amelia Sparks' story is told through video and audio by a raft of guest vocalists and performers.

Those guests performing at the Big Chill are the Jay-Z-approved US rapper Jay Electronica alongside Kill Bill and Charlie's Angels' Hollywood star Lucy Liu.

The Bullitts' multi-faceted performance on the Deer Park Stage will take place on Saturday.

Dionne Bromfield, who rocketed into the limelight at the age of 13 when she signed to her godmother Amy Winehouse's record label, is also on stage that day.

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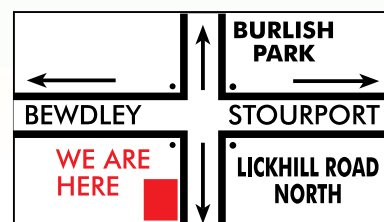
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## Delight at facelift to riverside walkway

A WYRE Forest beauty spot has had a £15,000 facelift to welcome summer strollers.

A mai footpath has been resurfaced and information panels restored at Blackstone Riverside Park, near Bewdley.

The car park was resurfaced and signposts improved in a £14,893 project.

Worcestershire County Council's Countryside Team has announced completion of a project funded by the Grow with Wyre partnership – a £4 million scheme to protect Wyre Forest's landscape and encourage tourism.

### Scenery

Costs of improving footpaths were cut by using recycled materials from roadworks. The footpath runs alongside the River Severn and into the centre of Bewdley.

The council said completion of the work had been scheduled to coincide with the summer season when the walk was popular with visitors.

It said the improvements would make it easier for visitors to park and stroll along to enjoy the scenery.

Council senior countryside access development officer Rob Deri said: "This scheme at Blackstone will help give people improved access to the surrounding countryside."

"It is only a 15-minute walk into Bewdley along the River Severn from this site."

### Flowers of the hills

HAGLEY Wives and Women's Fellowship will hear Angela Thompson give a talk about wild flowers in the Abberley Hills, near Stourport, on Tuesday, June 14, at St Saviour's church hall, Hagley.

# New head's pledge as school fails its Ofsted

A PRIMARY school in Kidderminster has been placed in special measures after Government inspectors said it was failing to give children an acceptable level of education.

Sutton Park Community Primary School, in Greatfield Road, opened after a £4.3million project in 2008.

Ofsted has now rated the school as inadequate following an inspection in March.

Teachers came in for criticism in the report, which stated their styles were "uninspiring" and they "lack creativity and excitement".

Headteacher Marie Buckland, who started in September, said that she was disappointed by the report, but was confident the school could quickly improve.

Around 230 pupils attend the school, which was built as part of the Wyre Forest Schools Review.

The Ofsted report, published on its website, said: "Her Majesty's Chief Inspector is of the opinion

that this school requires special measures because it is failing to give its pupils an acceptable standard of education and the persons responsible for leading, managing and governing the school are not demonstrating the capacity to secure the necessary improvement."

"Pupils are under-achieving because the quality of teaching, learning and the curriculum are inadequate."

"The curriculum has significant shortcomings and does not meet the learning needs of the pupils."

"Pupils' achievement is inadequate. Attainment in Year 6 has been significantly below average in English, mathematics and science for the past three years."

### Confident

The report added that in the short time Ms Buckland has been at the school, and the newly formed governing body had been established, improvements had been made.

Ms Buckland said: "We are naturally disappointed to have been placed in special measures. However, the Ofsted report acknowledges that we do have a clear understanding of what needs to be done to improve standards at the school – in fact work is already well under way to achieve this."

"As the recently appointed headteacher I am confident of making the improvements quickly and of turning Sutton Park Primary into a school the whole community can be proud of and one which provides its pupils with the very best education possible."

Worcestershire County Council spokeswoman Rhannon Walpole said the authority was working closely with school staff to address issues outlined in the Ofsted report.



The Severn Valley Railway's retro-style sweet stall at Kidderminster station and, from left, retail manager Linda Hartin, shop supervisor Teresa Andreou and sales assistant Julie Bale

## Suck it and see at stall

SWEET-toothed travellers can indulge themselves at a Severn Valley Railway stall.

An historic kiosk, more than 100 years old, has been stocked up with 48 varieties of old-fashioned delights.

Formerly used by WH Smith at Manchester's Victoria Station, it was donated to the SVR in 1989.

Since then it has been used as a book stall at the heritage railway's annual 1940s weekends at the Kidderminster station, in Comberton Hill, but now it will be open every day and run by volunteers.

### Aniseed

SVR retail manager Linda Hartin said: "The kiosk is right in front of the gift shop so we hope it will act as a signpost to draw people in."

"It's a great way to make sure the kiosk is used."

Cherry lips, sour apples, aniseed balls and lemon sherbets are just some of the treats on offer. The stall is also adorned with original posters from the kiosk's days as a WH Smith.

## Museum focus on traveller heritage

THE wealth of history and traditions of the Gypsy Roma travelling community feature in a Worcestershire County Museum event next month.

Travellers Tales, at Hartlebury Castle, is a celebration of heritage and culture organised in conjunction with the Worcestershire Gypsy Roma and Traveller Partnership, which includes representatives from West Mercia Police, Rooftop Housing, The Community Housing Group, Worcester Diocese and the county council.

### Talent

Among the exhibits on display on Sunday, June 12 from 11am to 5pm, will be one of the country's largest, displays of gipsy wagons.

Sue Pope, learning and outreach manager, said: "This colourful annual celebration is something we always look forward to at Hartlebury and we are pleased to welcome storyteller Richard O'Neill, the young people of Malvern's Got Talent and members of the Vintage Caravan Club."

Visit [www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk](http://www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk) or call 01299 250416 for ticket information.

## Road patrols on rural route

WEST Mercia Police is stepping up patrols on the A442 between Kidderminster and Bridgnorth this summer.

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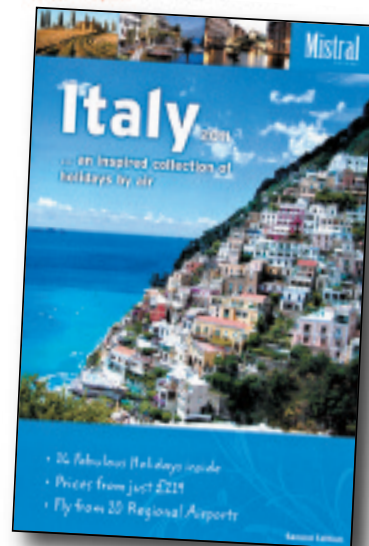
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# the pulse

## Stacey's rise from chip shop to celeb status

**C**ELEBRITY mum Stacey Solomon says she sees more of her son Zachary now she is a TV presenter than when she did 12-hour shifts at a fish and chips shop.

The girl from Dagenham with the engaging giggly personality and powerful singing voice came third on Simon Cowell's X Factor nearly two years ago and followed that up with I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here, where she won the public's vote as 'Queen of the Jungle'.

Now she co-presents Saturday night charity comedy show Sing If You Can on ITV.

The giggling girl from Dagenham talks to **LEON BURAKOWSKI** about her amazing past two years and her proudest achievement

Stacey spoke to The Chronicle in Birmingham during a whistle-stop tour of the UK to promote her autobiography My Story So Far. "The last two years have been amazing," said the Essex girl in her familiar breathless manner. "I've been very lucky and I am so grateful to people."

She confessed that she still feels out-of-place rubbing shoulders with celebs and was often nervous when she met famous people –

"I am, like, is this really happening? I feel like that all the time."

Her most nerve-wracking moment came earlier this month when she trod onto the hallowed turf of Wembley Stadium to sing God Save The Queen in front of 88,000 football fans at the FA Cup Final between Manchester City and Stoke City.

"That was really scary," said Stacey, "but it seemed to go down well. It could only have been better if my team, Arsenal, had been playing."

Asked what her proudest achievement so far had been, there was no hesitation. "My son."

But how had she found it being an in-demand celebrity and a mum. "It's the same as it is for all working mums, juggling work and home. I get home to see him every night and if I don't it's only because I really, really can't avoid it. I see more of him now than when I worked 9 to 9 at the chip shop."

Stacey won a bingo company's Mum of the Year title this year. She has also started appearing in TV adverts for a famous frozen food company.

The 21-year-old has left Dagenham but still lives in Essex and within 10 minutes of her old home.

So, what's next? "I've got another couple of Saturday nights on Sing If You Can and I am finishing the book tour, then I am heading into the studio to make my album."

Singing is what first got Stacey noticed, especially her versions of What A Wonderful World and Who Wants To Live Forever on The X Factor. One gets the sense that she's relishing a return to music.

"The album is going to be chilled, late lounge, cool and young," she said with enthusiasm, adding that she hoped a tour would follow.

She had books to sign and parted with a polite 'thank you' ... and a giggle.



Stacey Solomon – I'm so grateful to people



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## School's in, so get set to rock out at Palace

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A select few, following a dance-off competition, will be chosen to join the cast on stage to shoot hoops.

The High School theme is an entertainment phenomenon which has produced



Plenty of energy as the High School gang go through their paces

several record breaking movies, theatre and television shows which in turn have sold millions of copies of their music.

Reproducing the very best hits and dance routines is a multi-talented cast celebrating these teen sensations in a concert of pure fun.

Tickets can be purchased for £12.50 at the Palace Theatre box office in person, by telephone on 01527 65203 or online from the theatre's website.

For further information about this and other shows at the venue visit the theatre's website [www.redditchpalacetheatre.co.uk](http://www.redditchpalacetheatre.co.uk)



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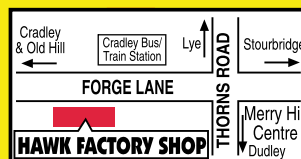
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## SO YOU THINK YOU CAN DANCE (BBC1, 7.30pm).

The war on the floor continues, as Cat Deeley and judges Nigel Lythgoe, Arlene Phillips and Louise Redknapp arrive at the live quarter finals of *So You Think You Can Dance* 2011. The pressure has never been higher for the remaining eight dancers, who will be forced to dance for their lives and their place in the competition. After the octet perform group routines, couples' dances and dazzling solos, the viewers now vote for their favourite individual performer on an individual basis — so from now on it's every man or woman for themselves in the battle to be named Britain's favourite dancer.

**6.00** Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** Great British Menu. (R) **12.00** BBC News: Regional News: Weather. **12.10** Formula 1: The Monaco Grand Prix — Qualifying. The battle for pole ahead of the sixth round of the season (Start-time 1.00pm). **2.30** Golf: The PGA Championship. **4.50** Don't Scare the Hare. **5.25** BBC News: Regional News: Weather. **5.45** So You Think You Can Dance Live.

**6.45** Doctor Who. Part two of two. A doppelganger seeks revenge against her makers.

**7.30** So You Think You Can Dance. The dancers with the lowest votes perform again.

**8.00** The National Lottery: Who Dares Wins. Pop group Hanson are guests on the game show in which two pairs of strangers team up, each battling to outdo the other by listing as much as they know about a given subject.

**8.50** Casualty. Tess resorts to drastic measures to avoid losing another patient, but when she is forced to accept the blame for Daniel's death, she makes a stand against hospital bureaucracy.

**9.40** John Bishop's Britain. Comedy, with guest Natalie Cassidy. (R)

**10.10** BBC News: Weather. **10.25** FILM: Face/Off. (1997) Action thriller, starring John Travolta.

**12.35** Film: Steal. (2002) Crime thriller, starring Stephen Dorff; Weatherview. **2.00** BBC News.

**6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **12.00** Film: Bell, Book and Candle. (1958) Supernatural romantic comedy, with James Stewart and Kim Novak. **1.40** Film: The Cheyenne Social Club. (1970) Comedy Western, starring James Stewart. **3.20** Two Greedy Italians. (R) **4.20** Escape to the Country. (R) **4.50** Golf: The PGA Championship. Further live coverage of the third day's play at Wentworth in Surrey.

**6.00** Flog It! From St Austell, Cornwall. (R)

**7.00** Dad's Army. American troops arrive in Walmington-on-Sea. (R)

**7.30** RHS Chelsea Flower Show 2011. The winner of the People's Award for best show garden is revealed.

**8.00** Terry and June. The couple erect a tent in their garden. (R)

**8.30** The Many Faces of June Whitfield. The comedy actress tells the story of her career. (R)

**9.30** Absolutely Fabulous. Edina goes on a diet. (R)

**10.00** Have I Got a Bit More News for You. Bill Bailey hosts, with guests Armando Iannucci and Jack Whitehall. (R)

**10.45** Q! XL. With Sandi Toksvig, Bill Bailey, Sean Lock and John Hodgman. (R)

**11.30** Grumpy Old Holidays. Irreverent perspectives on camping holidays. (R)

**12.00** French Open Tennis. **1.00** Later with Jools Holland. (R) **2.05** Film: Under the Mud. (2006) Comedy, starring Andrew Schofield, Lenny Wood and Lisa Parry. **3.30** Close.

**6.00** CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **8.25** House Gift. (R) **9.25** Coronation Street. **11.45** This Morning: Saturday. **12.45** ITV News: Weather. **12.55** You've Been Framed! (R) **1.25** Film: Carry On Cowboy. (1966) Comedy Western, starring Sid James. **3.10** Film: For Your Eyes Only. (1981) James Bond spy thriller, starring Roger Moore. **5.30** Regional Programmes. **5.45** ITV News: Weather.

**6.00** New Animals Do the Funniest Things. Comical clips and quirky stories from the animal kingdom, including a pigeon in need of sat-nav and dogs that have learned to read. Stephen Mulhern presents.

**7.00** Live UEFA Champions League Final. Barcelona v Manchester United (Kick-off 7.45pm). Coverage of the showpiece match at Wembley Stadium, where the biggest prize in European club football is at stake. Subsequent programmes subject to change.

**10.25** ITV News: Weather. **10.40** UEFA Champions League Highlights. Barcelona v Manchester United. Action from the final at Wembley Stadium.

**11.40** Premiership Rugby Union. Leicester Tigers v Saracens.

**12.40** The Zone. Shopping and interactive gaming; ITV News Headlines. **2.45** In Plain Sight. (R) **3.30** ITV Nightscreen. Text-based information service. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

**6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Film Show. (R) **7.00** British GT Championship. **7.25** The Grid. **7.55** The Morning Line. **8.55** T4: Friends. (R) **9.25** T4: Koko Pop. **10.00** T4: The Hangover Part II: T4 Movie Special. **10.30** T4: Glee. **11.30** T4: Friends. (R) **12.00** Paralympic World Cup. The fifth and final day from Manchester. Last in the series. **2.00** Channel 4 Racing. **3.55** Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R) **4.25** Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R) **5.00** Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R)

**6.00** Channel 4 News. **6.20** 4thought.tv. A 28-year-old woman discusses the Catholic Church's official policy of celibacy for priests.

**6.25** FILM: Titanic. (1997) A society girl falls in love with a penniless artist during the liner's ill-fated voyage. James Cameron's Oscar-winning romantic drama, starring Kate Winslet and Leonardo DiCaprio.

**10.00** The Million Pound Drop Live. Quiz show, presented by Devina McCall. Last in the series.

**11.20** Dylan Moran: Aim Low. Compilation of the comedian's best moments.

**12.25** Film: In America. (2003) Drama, starring Samantha Morton. **2.10** Mother of Many. (R) **2.15** Slow Joe. (R) **2.25** A Family Portrait. (R) **2.30** The Tannery. (R) **2.35** Paraphernalia. (R) **2.50** The Dead Zone. (R) **3.35** Hill Street Blues. (R) **4.30** Wild Thing I Love You. (R) **5.25** Countdown. (R)

**6.00** Milkshake! **10.00** Chinese Food in Minutes. (R) **10.05** The Gadgets Show. (R) **11.05** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green — At the Ends of the Earth. (R) **12.05** The Hotel Inspector. (R) **1.05** Film: The Staircase Murders. (2007) Thriller, starring Treat Williams. **2.50** Film: Last of the Dogmen. (1995) Modern-day western, starring Tom Berenger. **5.05** Film: Two Mules for Sister Sara. (1970) Western, starring Clint Eastwood.

**7.00** Cricket. England v Sri Lanka.

**7.55** 5 News Weekend. **8.00** NCIS. A six-year-old boy claims his father has been kidnapped, and the agents learn the missing man is a lieutenant commander who has been working on a confidential report. (R)

**9.00** CSI: Miami. The CSIs uncover a plot to distribute a new type of ammunition designed to explode on impact, and the ensuing investigation brings Horatio into contact with old adversary Ron Saris. (R)

**10.00** CSI: NY. The crime lab is attacked.

**11.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. A patient is murdered at a psychiatric hospital. (R)

**11.55** Rough Guide to Short Breaks. (R)

**12.10** SCXTRA. **12.40** SuperCasino. **3.55** Rough Guide to Islands. (R) **4.10** Great Scientists. (R) **4.35** HouseBusters. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

**ITV2**  
**3.05** Britain's Got More Talent **4.05** American Idol **7.00** Film: Nanny McPhee (2005) **9.00** Film: Step Up 2: The Streets (2008) **11.00** Celebrity Juice **11.45** Film: The Astronaut's Wife (1999)

**ITV3**  
**3.00** Agatha Christie's Marple **5.00** Agatha Christie's Sparkling Cyanide **7.00** Agatha Christie's Marple **9.00** Viewers' Favourite Agatha Christie **11.05** David Suchet: Poirot & Me **11.10** Agatha Christie's Poirot

**ITV4**  
**3.00** Live Indian Premier League Cricket. The final. **7.30** Police, Camera, Action! **8.00** Film: Jaws: The Revenge (1987) **9.50** Film: The Deer Hunter (1978)

**BBC THREE**  
**7.00** Pop's Greatest Dance Crazes **7.30** Doctor Who Confidential **8.15** Top Gear **9.15** Live at the Apollo **9.45** Film: Kill Bill: Vol One (2003) **11.30** Family Guy

**BBC FOUR**  
**7.00** The Secret Life of Elephants **8.00** Latin Music USA **9.00** Wallander **10.30** Julia Bradbury's Canal Walks **11.00** The Golden Age of Canals

**E4**  
**3.55** Made in Chelsea **5.00** Friends **6.00** Glee **7.00** The Big Bang Theory **8.00** How I Met Your Mother **9.00** Friends **10.00** Film: Cocktail (1988)

**FILM4**  
**3.05** Cheaper By the Dozen (2003) Family comedy remake, starring Steve Martin. **4.55** Sister Act (1992) Musical comedy, starring Whoopi Goldberg. **6.55** Attack the Block Special **7.00** Fantastic Four (2005) Sci-fi comic-book adventure, starring Ioan Gruffudd. **9.10** Run Fat Boy Run (2007) Romantic comedy, with Simon Pegg and Thandie Newton. **10.55** From Dusk Till Dawn (1996) Horror, starring George Clooney.

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## BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Country Tracks: Weather for the Week Ahead. 12.00 BBC News. 12.05 Formula 1: The Monaco Grand Prix Live. The sixth round of the season (start-time 1.00pm). 3.20 EastEnders. 5.15 Points of View. 5.30 Songs of Praise.

6.05 RHS Chelsea Flower Show 2011. Highlights from this year's festival. Last in the series.

6.35 BBC News: Regional News: Weather.

7.00 Countryfile. Julia Bradbury walks the Offa's Dyke National Trail to mark its 40th anniversary, and Chris Packham launches the programme's annual photographic competition. Including Weather for the Week Ahead.

8.00 Antiques Roadshow. The team values more items at Hampton Court Castle in Herefordshire.

9.00 FILM: Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest. (2006) Captain Jack Sparrow battles to save his soul from the legendary Davy Jones and his fearsome sea monster. Swashbuckling adventure sequel, starring Johnny Depp. 11.20 BBC News: Regional News: Weather. 11.45 The Football League Show. Highlights of the League One play-off final at Old Trafford; Weatherview.

12.40 Sign Zone: The Apprentice. (R) 1.40 Holly City. (R) 2.40 A History of Ancient Britain. (R) 3.40 BBC News.

## BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 10.00 Something for the Weekend. 11.30 Escape to the Country. (R) 12.30 Film: The Long Ships. (1963) Viking adventure, starring Richard Widmark and Sidney Poitier. 2.30 Golf: The PGA Championship. The fourth and final day's play at Wentworth in Surrey.

6.10 Richard Hammond's Engineering Connections. How engineers made a bridge across the Gulf of Corinth earthquake-proof.

7.00 Top Gear. The hosts bid to prove that cars can be art. (R)

8.00 Britain's Secret Seas. Paul Rose, Tooni Mahto and Frank Pope join the excavation of a 17th-century ship that has been found in the waters outside Poole Harbour, Dorset. Last in the series.

9.00 Louis Theroux: Miami Mega Jail. Part two of two. The reporter follows a group of younger inmates who have avoided prison by agreeing to endure the brutal training at a four-month military-style boot camp.

10.00 Queen: Days of Our Lives. The story of the extravagant British rock band. 11.00 The Shadow Line. Jay puts Bede's new business deal in jeopardy. (R)

12.00 French Open Tennis. The fourth round in both the men's and women's draws. 1.00 BBC News. 4.10 Close.

## ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. 7.25 CITV. 8.25 May the Best House Win. 9.25 Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) 10.25 60 Minute Makeover. (R) 11.30 This Morning: Sunday. 12.30 Di...nner Date. (R) 1.30 ITV News: Weather. 1.40 Film: Honey. (2003) Urban dance drama, starring Jessica Alba. 3.30 New Animals Do the Funniest Things. (R) 4.30 Midsomer Murders. (R)

6.30 Regional Programmes. 6.45 ITV News: Weather.

7.00 Coronation Street. Fizz discovers John with Colin Fishwick's body.

7.30 Britain's Got Talent. Ant and Dec host the final round of auditions in front of judges Michael McIntyre, Amanda Holden and David Hasselhoff, before the 40 acts selected for the live shows are announced.

9.00 Scott & Bailey. New series. Crime drama following two detectives working for a Manchester police unit that specialises in murder cases.

10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather.

10.15 The Classic Brit Awards 2011. Mylene Klass presents from London's Royal Albert Hall.

11.45 The Day John Lennon Died. Documentary first shown in 2010 to mark 30 years since the former Beatle's death. (R)

12.40 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. 2.00 Motorsport UK. 2.55 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

## Channel 4

6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 The Hoobs. (R) 7.05 That Paralympic Show. (R) 7.30 Freesports on 4. 8.00 T4: Friends. (R) 8.30 T4: Friends. (R) 9.00 T4: Holyoaks. 11.30 T4: Being N-Dubz: The A-Z Guide. 12.05 T4: Glee. (R) 1.05 T4: The Simpsons. (R) 1.40 T4: The Simpsons. (R) 2.10 Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) 2.40 Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) 3.15 Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) 3.45 Deal or No Deal. 4.45 Channel 4 News. 4.55 4thought.tv. 5.00 Film: Home Alone. (1990) Family comedy, with Macaulay Culkin.

7.00 Come Dine with Me. A Swedish table-tennis enthusiast competes against a politics student, a personal development coach and a DJ as the dinner party challenge heads to Leeds.

8.00 The Hotel. A husband and wife who have recently been through a trial separation check in at the Damsen Dene, hoping to get their marriage back on track.

9.00 FILM: The Curious Case of Benjamin Button. (2008) Premiere. A baby is born with the physique of a geriatric, and as he moves through life, grows younger with each passing year. Fantasy drama, starring Brad Pitt.

12.10 Film: Equilibrium. (2002) Sci-fi adventure, starring Christian Bale. 2.05 Diagnosis Live from the Clinic. (R) 3.00 The Sex Education Show: Am I Normal? (R) 3.55 Civilization: Is the West History? (R) 4.50 Wogan's Perfect Recall. (R) 5.15 Countdown. (R)

## Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Pappa Pig. 6.05 Roary the Racing Car. (R) 6.15 Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) 6.25 Fireman Sam. (R) 6.35 Miss Spider's Sunny Patch Friends. (R) 6.50 Elmo's World. (R) 7.05 Chiro. (R) 7.15 Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) 7.25 Noddy in Toyland. (R) 7.40 Hana's Helpline. (R) 7.50 Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) Milkshake! Show Songs. 8.00 Little Princess. (R) 8.15 The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) 8.30 Mist: Sheepdog Tales. (R) 8.45 Rupert Bear. (R) 9.00 Olivia. (R) 9.15 The Mr Men Show. (R) 9.30 Gerald McBoing Boing. (R) 10.00 Animal Rescue Squad. (R) 10.20 McFly on the Wall. 10.50 Family Food Fight. (R) 11.20 Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers. (R) 12.20 Film: Three to Tango. (1999) Romantic comedy, starring Matthew Perry and Neve Campbell. 2.10 Film: Contact. (1997) Sci-fi drama, starring Jodie Foster. 4.55 Film: Mission to Mars. (2000) Sci-fi adventure, starring Gary Sinise.

6.55 5 News Weekend. 7.00 Cricket. 7.55 5 News Weekend.

8.00 Pirates of the Caribbean: The True Story. (R)

9.00 Most Shocking Talent Show Moments. A countdown of memorable incidents and controversial contestants. (R)

11.55 Russell and Katy Get Married. (R)

12.55 SuperCasino. 3.55 Rough Guide To. (R) 4.10 Divine Designs. (R) 5.00 Hana's Helpline. (R) 5.10 The Milkshake! Show. (R) 5.35 Thomas & Friends. (R) 5.45 Roary the Racing Car. (R)

## Digital

ITV2  
4.30 Planet's Funniest Animals 4.55 Holiday Airport: Lanzarote 5.55 Film: Step Up 2: The Streets (2008) 8.00 Lose 30 Stone or Die 9.00 Britain's Got More Talent 10.00 Peter Andre: The Next Chapter 11.00 Britain's Got Talent

ITV3  
3.50 Film: Agatha Christie's Murder with Mirrors (1985) 5.45 David Suchet: Poirot & Me 5.50 Agatha Christie's Poirot 10.00 Agatha Christie's Pale Horse

ITV4  
2.30 Football 40: London Legends Cup Live. The inaugural staging of the tournament from Craven Cottage. 6.15 20 Football Transfers That Shocked the World 7.15 World's Wildest Police Videos 8.00 Premiership Rugby Union 9.00 Film: The Missouri Breaks (1976) 11.35 Film: Boogie Nights (1997)

BBC THREE  
7.00 Formula 1: The Monaco Grand Prix Highlights 8.00 Doctor Who 8.45 Doctor Who Confidential 9.00 Little Britain 9.30 Ideal 10.00 Family Guy

BBC FOUR  
7.00 Chopin Etudes 7.05 A History of Christianity 8.05 Thora 8.30 Last of the Summer Wine 9.00 Welly Telly - The Countryside on Television 10.00 Dorset Days - A Year in the Life of Longhorn Jim 11.00 The Joy of Easy Listening

E4  
3.50 Film: Entrapment (1999) 6.00 Friends 7.00 90210 8.00 Friends 9.00 Desperate Housewives 11.00 Being Erica 11.55 The Big Bang Theory

FILM4  
3.00 Carousel (1956) 5.35 Inspector Gadget (1999) 7.10 The Wedding Date (2005) Romantic comedy, with Debra Messing. 8.50 X-Men: First Class Special 9.00 X-Men (2000) 11.00 The Square (2008)

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## Monday

**BBC1** 6.00 Breakfast, 9.00 Fake Britain, 9.45 Homes Under the Hammer, 10.45 Real Rescues, 11.30 Cash in the Attic, (R) 12.00 Bargain Hunt, (R) 12.45 BBC News; Weather, 1.05 Regional News; Weather, 1.15 Escape to the Country, (R) 2.15 Film: The 12.40 the Hat, (2003) 3.30 Wallace & Gromit: A Close Shave, (R) 4.00 Pinar: 25 Magic Moments, 5.00 Film: WALL-E, (2008) 6.30 BBC News; 6.45 Regional News Programmes; Weather, 7.00 The One Show, 7.30 Saints and Scoundrels, (R) 8.00 EastEnders, 8.30 Egypt's Lost Cities, 10.00 BBC News, 10.05 Regional News; Weather, 10.15 A Question of Sport, 10.45 Football League Show, 11.25 The Graham Norton Show; (R) Weatherview, 12.15 Sign Zone: Wonders of the Universe, (R) 1.15 Inside the Human Body, (R) 2.15 The Secrets of Scott's Hut, (R) 3.45 One Man and His Campervan, (R) 4.15 BBC News.

**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies, 7.00 CBBC, 8.30 CBeebies, 11.35 Film: The 39 Steps, (1935) Alfred Hitchcock's thriller, starring Robert Donald, 1.00 Rowing, 2.30 Animal 24/7, (R) 3.00 Rewind the 60s, (R) 3.45 Flig It! 4.30 The Hair Bikers' Food Tour of Britain, (R) 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic, (R) 6.00 Great British Menu, 7.00 The Story of Ireland, 8.00 Springwatch 2011, 9.00 All Watched Over by Machines of Loving Grace, 10.00 Queen: Days of Our Lives, 11.00 Queen: The Legendary 1975 Concert, (R) 11.50 Richard Hammond's Engineering, 12.05 French Open Tennis, 1.40 BBC News, 3.40 The Super League Show, (R) 4.15 Close.

**ITV1** 6.00 Daybreak, 8.30 Lorraine, 9.25 Dinner Date, (R) 10.25 This Morning, 11.30 Loose Women, 12.30 Midsomer Murders, (R) 1.30 ITV News; Weather, 1.40 Regional News; Weather, 1.50 You've Been Framed! (R) 2.20 Film: On Her Majesty's Secret Service, (1969) James Bond adventure, with George Lazenby, 5.00 Celebrity Britain's Best Dish: Coronation Street v Emmerdale, 6.00 Regional News; Weather, 6.15 ITV News; Weather, 6.30 Harry Hill's TV Burp, (R) 7.00 Emmerdale, 7.30 Britain's Got Talent, 9.00 Coronation Street, 9.30 Britain's Got Talent Results, 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather, 10.15 Film: Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous, (2005) 12.20 The Zone; ITV News Headlines, 2.30 UEFA Champions League Weekly, 2.50 ITV Nightscreen, 4.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show, (R) 5.30 ITV Morning News.

**Channel 4** 6.00 Sali Mali, (R) 6.05 The Hoobs, (R) 6.30 The Hoobs, (R) 6.55 Freshly Squeezed, 7.25 Everybody Loves Raymond, (R) 7.50 Frasier, (R) 8.20 Frasier, (R) 8.50 Friends, (R) 9.20 Accidentally on Purpose, 9.50 Location, Location, Location, (R) 10.50 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away, (R) 11.55 Jamie at Home, (R) 12.20 Film: Clash of the Titans, (1981) Mythical adventure, starring Harry Hamlin, 2.35 Baking Mad with Eric Lanlard, 3.10 Countdown, 4.00 Deal or No Deal, 5.00 Four in a Bed, 5.30 Come Dine with Me, 6.00 The Simpsons, (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks, 7.00 Channel 4 News, 7.05 4thought.tv, 7.10 Film: The Italian Job, (1969) 9.00 Gordon's Great Escape, 10.00 Film: Dogeblat: A True Underdog Story, (2004) Sporting comedy, starring Ben Stiller, 11.55 The Event, 12.50 Poker, 1.45 24 Hours in A&E, (R) 2.40 The Sex Education Show: Am I Normal?, (R) 3.35 Life, Death and Suffer Story, (R) 3.40 The Dead Zone, (R) 4.25 Hill Street Blues, (R) 5.15 Wogan's Perfect Recall, (R) 5.40 Sali Mali, (R) 5.45 Yo Gabba Gabba! (R)

**Channel 5** 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff, 11.05 How Do They Do It?, (R) 11.30 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation, (R) 12.25 5 News Lunchtime, 12.35 Home and Away, 1.05 Neighbours, 1.35 Film: Corner Creek, (1948) Western, starring Randolph Scott, 3.25 Film: Fort Worth, (1951) Western drama, starring Randolph Scott, 5.00 5 News at 5; Weather, 5.30 Neighbours, (R) 6.00 Home and Away, (R) 6.30 Monkey Life, (R) 6.55 5 News at 7, 7.00 Cricket, 5 News Update, 8.00 The Gadget Show, 5 News at 9, 9.00 The Hotel Inspector, 10.00 Film: A Few Good Men, (1992) 12.50 Forensic Files, (R) 1.15 SuperCasino, 4.00 The Family Recipe, (R) 4.05 Michaela's Wild Challenge, (R) 4.55 Rough Guide to Journeys, (R) 5.10 Wildlife SOS, (R) 5.35 House Doctor, (R)

## Tuesday

**BBC1** 6.00 Breakfast, 9.15 Fake Britain, 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer; BBC News; Weather, 11.00 Real Rescues, 11.45 Cash in the Attic; (R) BBC News; Weather, 12.15 Bargain Hunt, 1.00 BBC News; Weather, 1.30 Regional News; Weather, 1.45 Doctors, 2.15 Escape to the Country, (R) 3.00 BBC News; Weather; Regional News, 3.05 CBBC, 5.15 Weakest Link, 6.00 BBC News; Weather, 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather, 7.00 The One Show, 7.30 EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News, 8.00 Holly City, 9.00 Undercover Care – The Abuse Exposed; Panorama, 10.00 BBC News, 10.25 Regional News; Weather; National Lottery Update, 10.35 Crimewatch on the Streets, 11.35 The Lock Up; Weatherview, 12.10 Sign Zone: Children's Craniofacial Surgery, (R) 1.10 Wootton Bassett: The Town That Remembers, (R) 2.10 Who Do You Think You Are? (R) 2.55 Great British Railway Journeys, (R) 3.25 BBC News.

**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies, 7.00 CBBC, 8.30 CBeebies, 11.35 Film: Gunga Din, (1939) Action adventure, starring Cary Grant, 1.30 To Buy or Not to Buy, (R) 2.15 Animal 24/7, (R) 3.00 Rewind the 60s, (R) 3.45 Flig It! 4.30 The Hair Bikers' Food Tour of Britain, (R) 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic, (R) 6.00 Great British Menu, 7.00 Escape to the Country, (R) 7.30 Springwatch 2011, 8.30 Springwatch Unsprung 2011, 9.00 Wonderland – The Men Who Won't Stop Marching, 10.00 The Apprentice: You're Fired! 10.30 Newsnight; Weather, 11.20 Time to Remember, (R) 11.50 French Open Tennis, 12.50 BBC News, 3.25 Close.

**ITV1** 6.00 Daybreak, 8.30 Lorraine, 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show, (R) 10.30 This Morning, 12.30 Loose Women, 1.30 ITV News; Weather, 1.55 Regional News; Weather, 2.00 60 Minute Makeover, (R) 3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal, 3.59 Regional Weather, 4.00 Midsomer Murders, (R) 5.00 Celebrity Britain's Best Dish: Loose Women v Olympians, 6.00 Regional News; Weather, 6.30 ITV News; Weather, 7.00 Emmerdale, 7.30 Britain's Got Talent, 9.00 Coronation Street, 9.30 Britain's Got Talent Results, 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather, 10.30 Minute Makeover, (R) 3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal, 3.59 Regional Weather, 4.00 Midsomer Murders, (R) 5.00 Celebrity Britain's Best Dish: The Morning v Daybreak, 6.00 Regional News; Weather, 6.30 ITV News; Weather, 7.00 Emmerdale, 7.30 Britain's Got Talent, 9.00 Coronation Street, 9.30 Britain's Got Talent Results, 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather, 10.30 Regional News; Weather, 10.35 Cumbria, One Year On, 11.35 Long Lost Family, (R) 12.30 The Zone; ITV News Headlines, 2.35 Film: Boogeyman, (2004) 4.00 ITV Nightscreen, 5.30 ITV Morning News.

**Channel 4** 6.10 The Hoobs, (R) 6.35 Squeezed, 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond, (R) 7.55 Frasier, (R) 8.25 Frasier, (R) 8.55 Friends, (R) 9.30 Accidentally on Purpose, 9.55 Location, Location, Location, (R) 10.55 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away, (R) 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary, 12.05 In Your Dreams, (R) 12.15 The Home Show, (R) 1.20 Film: Appointment in London, (1952) Second World War drama, starring Dirk Bogarde, 3.10 Countdown, 4.00 Deal or No Deal, 5.00 Four in a Bed, 5.30 Come Dine with Me, 6.00 The Simpsons, (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks, 7.00 Channel 4 News, 7.05 4thought.tv, 8.00 Four Rooms, 9.00 The Secret Millionaire, 10.00 Jamie's Food Revolution Hits Hollywood, 11.05 Misfits, 12.10 UK & Ireland Poker Tour, 1.10 Freeports on 4, (R) 1.35 The Grid, (R) 2.05 British GT Championship, (R) 2.30 KOTV Boxing Weekly, 2.55 FIVB Beach Volleyball, (R) 3.50 Catching the Impossible, (R) 4.45 Triathlon, (R) 5.15 Full Metal Challenge, (R)

**Channel 5** 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff, 11.05 Highland Emergency, (R) 12.00 Meals in Moments, (R) 12.10 5 News Lunchtime, 12.20 Law & Order, (R) 1.15 Home and Away, 1.45 Neighbours, 2.15 The Vanessa Show, 3.05 Meals in Moments, (R) 3.15 Film: Sub Zero, (2005) Premiere. Action adventure, starring Costas Mandylor, 5.00 5 News at 5; Weather, 5.30 Neighbours, (R) 6.00 Home and Away, (R) 6.25 OK! TV, 7.00 5 News at 7, 7.30 Zoo Days, 8.00 Superize Grime, 5 News at 9, 9.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation, Ray's ex-wife Gloria is kidnapped by serial killer Nate Haskell, 10.00 CSI: Miami, A suburban mother is murdered, (R) 10.55 CSI: NY, (R) 11.55 CSI: NY, (R) 12.50 SuperCasino, 4.00 The Family Recipe, (R) 4.05 Michaela's Wild Challenge, (R) 4.55 Rough Guide to Bang for Your Buck, (R) 5.10 Wildlife SOS, (R) 5.35 House Doctor, (R)

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**BBC1** 6.00 Breakfast, 9.15 Fake Britain, 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer; BBC News; Weather, 11.00 Real Rescues, 11.45 Cash in the Attic; (R) BBC News; Weather, 12.15 Bargain Hunt, 1.00 BBC News; Weather, 1.30 Regional News; Weather, 1.45 Doctors, 2.15 Escape to the Country, (R) 3.00 BBC News; Weather; Regional News, 3.05 CBBC, 5.15 Weakest Link, 6.00 BBC News; Weather, 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather, 7.00 The One Show, 7.30 Waterloo Road; BBC News; Regional News, 8.30 Life of Riley, 9.00 The Apprentice, 10.00 BBC News, 10.25 Regional News, 10.35 The National Lottery Wednesday Night Draws, 10.45 Not Going Out, (R) 11.15 Film: Forces of Nature, (1999) National Lottery Update; Weatherview, 1.00 Sign Zone; See Hear, (R) 1.30 Watchdog, (R) 2.30 Country Tracks, (R) 3.25 The British at Work, (R) 4.25 BBC News.

**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies, 7.00 CBBC, 8.30 CBeebies, 11.35 Film: Berlin Express, (1948) Thriller, starring Merle Oberon, 1.00 See Hear, 1.30 To Buy or Not to Buy, (R) 2.15 Animal 24/7, (R) 3.00 Rewind the 60s, (R) 3.45 Flig It! 4.30 The Hair Bikers' Food Tour of Britain, (R) 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic, (R) 6.00 Great British Menu, 7.00 Escape to the Country, (R) 7.30 Springwatch 2011, 8.30 Springwatch Unsprung 2011, 9.00 Wonderland – The Men Who Won't Stop Marching, 10.00 The Apprentice: You're Fired! 10.30 Newsnight; Weather, 11.20 Stewart Lee's Comedy Vehicle, 11.50 Louis Theroux: Miami Mega Jail, (R) 12.50 French Open Tennis, 1.50 BBC News, 4.25 Close.

**ITV1** 6.00 Daybreak, 8.30 Lorraine, 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show, 10.30 This Morning, 12.30 Loose Women, 1.30 ITV News; Weather, 1.55 Regional News; Weather, 2.00 60 Minute Makeover, (R) 3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal, 3.59 Regional Weather, 4.00 Midsomer Murders, (R) 5.00 Celebrity Britain's Best Dish: The Morning v Daybreak, 6.00 Regional News; Weather, 6.30 ITV News; Weather, 7.00 Emmerdale, 7.30 Britain's Got Talent, 9.00 Coronation Street, 9.30 Britain's Got Talent Results, 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather, 10.30 Regional News; Weather, 10.35 Cumbria, One Year On, 11.35 Long Lost Family, (R) 12.30 The Zone; ITV News Headlines, 2.35 Film: Boogeyman, (2004) 4.00 ITV Nightscreen, 5.30 ITV Morning News.

**Channel 4** 6.10 The Hoobs, (R) 6.35 Freshly Squeezed, 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond, (R) 7.55 Frasier, (R) 8.25 Frasier, (R) 8.55 Friends, (R) 9.25 Accidentally on Purpose, 9.55 Location, Location, Location, (R) 10.55 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away, (R) 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary, 12.05 In Your Dreams, (R) 12.15 My Eden, (R) 12.25 The Home Show, (R) 1.25 Film: The Great Sioux Massacre, (1965) Western, starring Joseph Cotten, 3.10 Countdown, 4.00 Deal or No Deal, 5.00 Four in a Bed, 5.30 Come Dine with Me, 6.00 The Simpsons, (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks, 7.00 Channel 4 News, 7.05 4thought.tv, 8.00 Diagnosis Live from the Clinic, 9.00 20 Hours in A&E, 10.00 Desperate Housewives, 11.05 The Big Bang Theory, (R) 11.35 The Big Bang Theory, (R) 12.00 Music on 4: The Album Chart Show, Spotlight, 12.15 The Album Chart Show: See Lo, (R) 12.45 Mercury Prize Sessions, (R) 1.05 Film: Riding in Cars with Boys, (2001) 3.15 The Sex Education Show: Am I Normal?, (R) 4.10 Hill Street Blues, (R) 5.00 Wogan's Perfect Recall, (R) 5.25 Countdown.

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**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies, 7.00 CBBC, 8.30 CBeebies, 11.35 Film: Escape to Burma, (1955) Romantic jungle adventure, with Barbara Stanwyck, 1.00 Diagnosis Murder, (R) 1.45 To Buy or Not to Buy, (R) 2.15 Rewind the 60s, (R) 3.00 Rewind the 60s, (R) 3.45 Flig It! 4.30 The Hair Bikers' Food Tour of Britain, (R) 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic, (R) 6.00 Great British Menu, 7.00 The Culture Show, 8.00 Springwatch 2011, 9.00 The Shadow Line, Gatehouse finally tracks down Glickman, 10.00 Psychoville 2, 10.30 Newsnight; Weather, 11.20 Time to Remember, (R) 11.50 French Open Tennis, 12.50 The Culture Show, (R) 1.50 BBC News, 4.40 Close.

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**Channel 4** 6.10 The Hoobs, (R) 6.35 Squeezed, 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond, (R) 7.55 Frasier, (R) 8.30 Frasier, (R) 9.00 Friends, (R) 9.30 Accidentally on Purpose, 9.55 Location, Location, Location, (R) 10.55 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away, (R) 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary, 12.05 The Home Show, (R) 1.05 Film: The Silent Enemy, (1958) 3.10 Countdown, 4.00 Deal or No Deal, 5.00 Four in a Bed, 5.30 Come Dine with Me, 6.00 The Simpsons, (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks, 7.00 Channel 4 News, 7.05 4thought.tv, 8.00 Three in a Bed, 9.00 Meet the Elephant Man, (10.00 Buns and Bolognese, 11.05 The Secret Millionaire, (R) 12.05 The Film Show, 12.35 Music on 4: JD Set Presents, (R) 12.50 Music on 4: 4Play; Cat's Eyes, 1.05 The Model Agency, (R) 2.00 The Sex Education Show: Am I Normal?, (R) 2.55 Unreported World, (R) 3.25 The Dead Zone, (R) 4.05 Hill Street Blues, (R) 5.00 Wogan's Perfect Recall, (R) 5.25 Countdown, (R)

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## Friday

**BBC1** 6.00 Breakfast, 9.15 Fake Britain, 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer; BBC News; Weather, 11.00 Real Rescues, 11.45 Cash in the Attic; (R) BBC News; Weather, 12.15 Bargain Hunt, 1.00 BBC News; Weather, 1.30 Regional News; Weather, 1.45 Doctors, 2.15 Escape to the Country, 3.00 BBC News; Weather; Regional News, 3.05 CBBC, 5.15 Weakest Link, 6.00 BBC News; Weather, 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather, 7.00 The One Show; BBC News; Regional News, 8.00 EastEnders, 8.30 A Question of Sport, (R) 9.00 Have I Got News for You, 9.30 Quizmaster, (R) 10.00 The Graham Norton Show, 11.20 The National Lottery Friday Night Draws, 11.30 Film: Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls, (1995) Comedy sequel, starring Jim Carrey, 12.55 The One Show; (R) Weatherview, 2.00 Sign Zone: Monty Don's Italian Gardens, (R) 3.00 Great British Railway Journeys, (R) 3.30 One Man and His Campervan, (R) 4.00 BBC News.

**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies, 7.00 CBBC, 8.30 CBeebies, 11.35 Film: Cattle Queen of Montana, (1954) Western, starring Barbara Stanwyck, 1.00 Animal Park, (R) 1.30 Live Horse Racing, The opening day of the Derby Festival at Epsom, 4.30 The Hair Bikers' Food Tour of Britain, (R) 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic, (R) 6.00 Great British Menu, 7.00 Windfarm Wars, 8.00 Petworth House – The Big Spring Clean, (R) 8.30 Gardeners' World, 9.00 Julia Bradbury's Canal Walks, 9.30 Paul Merton's Birth of Hollywood, 10.30 Newsnight, 11.00 The Review Show; Weather, 11.50 Foo Fighters: Back and Forth, 1.35 Foo Fighters at R1BW 2011, 2.05 French Open Tennis, 3.05 Close.

**ITV1** 6.00 Daybreak, 8.30 Lorraine, 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show, 10.30 This Morning, 12.30 Loose Women, 1.30 ITV News; Weather, 1.55 Regional News; Weather, 2.00 60 Minute Makeover, (R) 3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal, 3.59 Regional Weather, 4.00 Midsomer Murders, (R) 5.00 Celebrity Britain's Best Dish: I'm a Celebrity Boys v Girls, 6.00 Regional News; Weather, 6.30 ITV News; Weather, 7.00 Emmerdale, 7.30 Britain's Got Talent, 9.00 Coronation Street, 9.30 Britain's Got Talent Results, 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather, 10.30 Regional News; Weather, 10.35 Film: American Pie, (1999) 12.20 The Zone; ITV News Headlines, 2.25 Film: Gorillas in the Mist, (1988) 4.30 ITV Nightscreen, 5.30 ITV News.

**Channel 4** 6.10 The Hoobs, (R) 6.35 Squeezed, 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond, (R) 7.55 Frasier, (R) 8.30 Frasier, (R) 8.55 Friends, (R) 9.25 Accidentally on Purpose, 9.55 Location, Location, Location, (R) 10.55 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away, (R) 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary, 12.05 In Your Dreams, (R) 12.15 My Eden, (R) 12.25 The Home Show, (R) 1.25 Film: When Eight Bells Toll, (1971) Thriller, starring Anthony Hopkins, 3.10 Countdown, 4.00 Deal or No Deal, 5.00 Four in a Bed, 5.30 Come Dine with Me, 6.00 The Simpsons, (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks, 7.00 Channel 4 News, 7.05 4thought.tv, 8.00 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away, 9.00 Film: Saving Private Ryan, (1998) Steven Spielberg's Second World War drama, starring Tom Hanks, 12.10 Comic's Choice: Alan Davies, (R) 1.10 My Name is Earl, (R) 1.55 Ugly Betty, (R) 2.00 The Dead Zone, (R) 4.10 Hill Street Blues, (R) 5.00 Wogan's Perfect Recall, (R) 5.25 Countdown, (R)

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**The Merchant of Venice.**  
**Royal Shakespeare Theatre,**  
**Stratford-upon-Avon.**

DIRECTOR Rupert Goold's brash and bold version of Shakespeare's most controversial play could be renamed *The Merchant of Vegas*, relocating the tale of Shylock the Jew from 1500s Venice to Sin City USA.

It is set amid the gaming tables and fruit machines of a casino complete with showgirls, mobsters and a hip-shaking Elvis impersonator.

The purists and the traditionalists will loathe it. But this is vibrant, sexy, laugh-out-loud Shakespeare which, crucially, does not flinch from the cruel anti-Semitism at the heart of this play.

In this glitzy production ducats change to dollars and Shakespeare's lines are delivered with broad American accents.

Within this radical re-imagining, which bares the stamp of the director who had *West End success* with the flashy and hard-hitting *Enron*, Shakespeare's language and themes of racism and greed remain intact. It is not dumbed down but it is on an artificial high, as are some of the characters judging by the little



Emily Plumtree (Nerissa) and Susannah Fielding (Portia) in *The Merchant of Venice* at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre. Photo: Ellie Kurtz/RSC

white wraps they slip each other. Patrick Stewart is implacable and frightening as the money-lender Shylock, literally demanding his "pound of flesh" from the merchant Antonio (a solemn performance by Scott Handy) when he fails to repay his debt.

Here his vengeance is partly redirected after his daughter Jessica (a dowdy, bespectacled Caroline Martin) betrays him by running

off with her Christian boyfriend (Daniel Percival's wiseguy Lorenzo) and the family treasure. They leave dressed as Batman and Robin during a riotous carnival.

Stewart delivers the "Hath not a Jew eyes?" speech with great power.

It opens the audience's eyes to his pain at the casual, unthinking self-righteous racism of Antonio and his ilk. It is insult and exclusion

that drives Shylock's monstrous thirst for revenge.

However, the actor knight is not the star of this production. Susannah Fielding is stunning as a southern belle Portia, the woman wooed by Antonio's friend Bassanio (Richard Riddell's hunk with a heart), the financing of which caused the debt.

The scenes in which her suitors must solve a riddle and choose a casket to prove their suitability, is presented as the TV quiz show *Destiny*. Contestants include the Prince of Morocco as heavyweight boxer and Mexican-hat wearing Prince of Arragon.

Her Portia is no dumb blonde, akin to Legally Blonde's Elle Woods as she turns into a lawyer (in disguise as a man) for one of the most famous court scenes in theatre.

All the glittering glamour is cast aside in a downbeat ending.

Fielding is spellbinding as Portia breaks down, tearing off her blonde wig and stumbling out of her high heels as she realises her Bassanio loves Antonio more.

*The Merchant of Venice* is in the RSC's repertoire at Stratford until September 24.  
**Leon Burakowski**

**Shaolin Warriors**  
**Grand Theatre, Wolverhampton**

DELIVERING a knock-out performance at the near full Grand, the Shaolin Warriors gave a stunned audience an insight into the monks' daily life of meditation and training. A blend of martial arts, spectacular showbiz choreography, eerie music and lighting created an authentic atmosphere.

Demonstrating amazing feats of strength and mind over matter with superb balance, grace and precision, the 20 or so men and two boys gave a breathtaking performance. Every hand was exactly the same and every kick and punch was delivered with perfect timing. Fighting techniques, empty handed and with a variety of exotic weapons, showcased their unbelievable skills.

They transformed themselves into snakes, tigers and monkeys using the agility of their bodies to bend and twist in all directions.

A little bit of fun came when youngsters from the audience were invited onto the stage to copy the movements of one of the monks. If they weren't in the right position he lifted them up and turned them round much to the amusement of the rest of the audience. There was enthusiastic applause throughout the show and I think we all went home feeling very unfit.

**Les Jowett**

**The Monkees. NIA, Birmingham**

OK, I have to admit it. I've always been a believer. Going back to my early teenage years – a long time ago – I was one of their greatest fans, much to the horror of my now grown-up children.

And obviously, at Birmingham's NIA on Saturday night, I was not alone. Yes hey, hey it was The Monkees on their 45th anniversary tour.

Well three of them anyway, which is one more than the last time I saw them in Birmingham a few years ago.

This time Davy Jones and Micky Dolenz were joined by Peter Tork. Mike Nesmith is no longer with them.

The years have been kinder to some more than others but to be fair they do have a combined age of more than 200.

It was difficult to see them close up as instead of large screens showing the band, we were instead shown film from their earlier years, and some very cringeworthy footage at that.

They came on to Hey, Hey We're The Monkees and went into I'm a Believer, which had the crowd up on their feet but there were a lot of lulls before the obvious favourites like Daydream Believer, Last Train to Clarksville and Pleasant Valley Sunday.

The audience was mixed, with surprisingly quite a few youngsters. I don't know if it was just curiosity value, but at the high price of the seats I doubt that, but some did filter off before the end.

Overall their voices are still pretty strong and the backing group were excellent but the annoying screen did detract from their singing.

Still it was a nice stroll down memory lane before it was time to take the last train back to Wolverhampton.  
**Sue Attwater**

**Midnight Tango.**  
**Birmingham Hippodrome**

IMPRESSIVE scenery created the perfect atmosphere for the sensational *Midnight Tango*, transferring the stage of the Hippodrome into a bar in downtown Buenos Aires.

Celebrating the passionate dance of tango, this wonderful production, starring *Strictly Come Dancing's* Vincent Simone and Flavia Cacace, is full of drama, sensuality and elegance.

The loose storyline centres on two lovers using stunning dance to plot out different stages of their relationship.

Sleek, stylish and sexy are the ingredients for the breath-taking dance routines performed by the entire cast. Joined on stage by 10 superb tango dancers, there is no doubt, though, who the stars are as cheers from the audi-

ence greeted Vincent and Flavia.

Performing incredible dance routines that demanded perfect timing, the couple are mesmerising as their legs intertwine, making it almost impossible to work out where one body ends and the other begins.

The beautiful and distinctive music is played by the first-class *Tango Siempre* musicians together with the incredible voice of Martin Alvarado.

A well received duet with the violinist displayed another of Flavia's talents.

Hubbard and wife owners of the bar sprinkled an excellent comedy element throughout the show.

The final Fiesta scene was an explosion of colour, music and energy that brought the audience to their feet for a standing ovation.

The mesmerising Vincent Simone and Flavia Cacace

**Les Jowett**

**The Blues Brothers.**  
**Grand Theatre, Wolverhampton**

SWEAT glistening on brows and a struggle to breathe after two hours of high energy, high emotion singing and dancing – and that was just the audience at The All New Original Tribute to the Blues Brothers.

The Brothers themselves and their backing singers and dancers, the Bluettes, must have been absolutely shattered.

This show doesn't try to tell the original story of how Jake and Elwood were trying to raise cash for an orphanage through their shows. Basically it just takes you on a breathless ride through a series of great songs.

As usual, it starts with the Peter Gunn Theme and Act 1 also includes classics like *Can't Turn You Loose*, *Shake A Tail Feather*, *Respect* and *Land of a Thousand Dances*.

Brad Henshaw makes an ideal Jake and brings back memories of John Belushi, who first played the role. Henshaw is just the right build – slightly overweight with his shirt buttons straining to contain his stomach and dishevelled compared with the smart Elwood (Daniel Fletcher).

But Fletcher takes lead in the highlight of Act 2 – a slowed-down, near a capella version of *Under The Boardwalk*, with perfect harmonising by the Bluettes.

Then they revved it up again with *Think*, *Soul Man* and *Jailhouse Rock* before a medley for the encore.

There's plenty of humour in the show, with Heath Town getting some stick, and a few references to Wolves and their boss, Mick McCarthy. It was ironic that we had the Blues raising a cheer after Wolves stayed in the Premiership by the skin of their teeth, which condemned Birmingham's Blues to relegation.

The Blues Brothers is on at Wolverhampton Grand Theatre until Saturday, May 28.  
**Sue Attwater**



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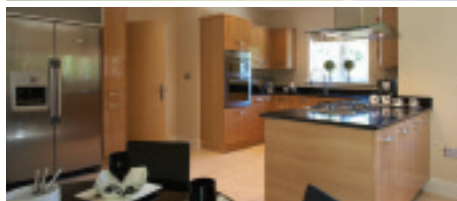
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# sport

## Students show Verve

THE much anticipated I.T.S. British Taekwondo Championships in Kidderminster proved just why it is one of the region's premier martial arts events, with spectators and competitors travelling from far and wide.

There was massive local involvement too

with success from Verve Taekwondo students on club and international duty winning an unprecedented 41 gold medals, 27 silver and 13 bronze medals to top the awards table.

Club instructor John Swift said: "Preparations have been excellent in the lead-up to the

event with momentum continuing on from the recent Midlands Open success.

"From the vigour and passion of the competitors to the commitment, pride and loyalty of the spectators, supporting families and friends, it was an excellent day all round."



Kidderminster's Carl Trevitt (England men's team captain) raising the Tri-nations team challenge trophy for England



Wyre Forest's Ellie-Rose Griffiths

## Ellie-Rose looks to be a smash

BUDDING Kidderminster tennis player Ellie-Rose Griffiths was put through her paces at a national talent final.

She joined fellow West Midlands juniors Ryan Gaskin and Abbie-Jade Riley at the Lawn Tennis Association's national Talent ID Finals at Bolton Arena.

Twelve-year-old Ellie-Rose, from Broome, near Kidderminster, was among 50 youngsters from across the country invited to the session in Bolton after successfully progress-

ing through county and regional Talent ID days.

The trio showed off their skills in front of the LTA Talent ID team who were aiming to spot future performance players.

### Attributes

Even at such an early age the players can display the right attributes that could enable them to make a real impact on the game.

Ellie-Rose said: "I have been here two times before and they are really

good, fun days. They are tiring, but I have a really good time when I come here."

The day was overseen by LTA head of talent management Andrew Lewandowski, who was impressed by what he saw:

"Ryan, Ellie-Rose and Abbie-Jade have performed really well and shown lots of ability across a number of different tasks testing qualities including athletic ability, co-ordination, speed and agility and a real natural talent and love for the

sport," he said. "It was fantastic to see so many enthusiastic and talented players give it their all at the Talent ID Finals which is central to our vision for British Tennis."

### Exist

"With the level of LTA support available for junior players and the Talent ID network that simply didn't exist five years ago, there has never been a better time for the LTA to identify and help develop talented players."

## Fourth big win on trot for leaders

IN WHAT looks like being the most open Worcestershire County Cricket season for years, Stourbridge reeled off their fourth successive maximum win in Division One.

They beat Pedmore and are 29 points clear of second-placed Bromyard, who could only draw with Bewdley, writes **Chris Marsh**.

In the battle of the basement teams - Romsley and Redditch - Ryan Beaumont crashed 137 in 85 balls.

This brought Romsley a grand total of 280 which was too many for Redditch, who fell 35 runs short.

In Division Two Colwall go top after a resounding victory at Wormelow thanks to seven wickets from Mike King and Monmouth are just two points behind following a nine-wicket win over Netherton. Troy Lee unbeaten on 143 in a losing cause.

Hagley leapt to third ahead of previous leaders Burghill, who they defeated by 67 runs and Coombs Wood are fifth following a comprehensive defeat of bottom side Kidderminster.

In other matches, Dominies beat Belbroughton and Feckenham had the best of a draw with Malvern.

## Seven up for the spinner

PHIL SMITH gave the week's outstanding performance in the Wilden Cricket League.

Leg spinner Smith, who plays for Arley in Wednesday Division B, played his first game of the season after coming back from travelling.

He warmed up with 23 from the bat in his side's 87-9 against Bayton.

But with the ball he took 7-11, including a hat-trick to finish, as Bayton ended four runs short.

Arley go joint third behind Bewdley Arches and Envile.

The latter took only a little over an hour to beat Sportsman, bowling them out for 36 and then scoring 38-0.

In the Premier Division, Pedmore beat Alveley by seven wickets. Stourport triumphed over Kidderminster Victoria by 13 runs with Steve Varsley taking 3-27 and Waterfront beat Lye A by 28 runs.

## Siwicki's superb for Stour

ALVECHURCH AND HOPWOOD 245-6, STOURPORT 247-5. STOURPORT WON BY FIVE WICKETS

ASUPERB unbeaten 157 from Andrew Siwicki helped Stourport to 24 points at Alvechurch and Hopwood.

After winning the toss Alvechurch elected to bat first and posted 246-6 from their 50 overs. Dan Platt the pick of the bowlers with 2-33.

In reply Neil Bailey (31) gave Stourport a steady platform before Siwicki arrived first wicket down.

He proceeded to put the Alvechurch bowlers to the sword despatching the ball to all parts of the ground. At 166-5 Spencer Colley (23 not out) joined Siwicki to help see Stourport home with 3.1 overs remaining.

On Saturday Stourport take on table topping Rushwick at Walshes Meadow before travelling to Harvington on Bank Holiday Monday.

COOMBS WOOD 174, STOURPORT 178-2. STOURPORT WON BY EIGHT WICKETS

Fine bowling and hard hitting saw Stourport seconds to victory.

Mark Guest took 4-33 while there were three wickets apiece for Andy Cavendish and Matt Delo as Coombs Wood were dismissed for 174.

In reply Dave Pittaway (41) gave Stourport a solid start before Alan Lockwood (26 not out) joined Phil Williams who smacked an unbeaten 90 to see Stourport home with 24 overs remaining.

On Saturday the seconds go to Rushwick and host Romsley on Monday (both 1.30pm).

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# PINNER FIFTY AS KVCC STROLL IT

THIS was a rare win for Kidderminster Victoria at Walsall, but a convincing one.

Mark Mansell took four wickets and Neil Pinner hit a half-century as KVCC eased home by five wickets.

Winning the toss, KVCC invited Walsall to bat on a greenish wicket. Chris Whelan, on the Worcestershire staff opened the bowling with Gareth Williams and conceded only 15 runs off their first eight overs with the bonus of

WALSALL (4PTS) 180-9, KIDDERMINSTER VICTORIA (20PTS) 184-5. KVCC WON BY FIVE WICKETS

a wicket. Jack Manuel was caught by Pinner off Williams for 13.

The score rose to 59 before the second wicket fell. Mansell had Chris Jonker caught for 25, again by Pinner, writes **Brian Gittins**. Opener Paul Baker had taken 15 balls to get off the mark and a further 16 before scoring again. Eventually he reached 21 only to be bowled by skipper Jonathan

Wright. The total had risen to 77 in the 32nd over when Pinner took a third catch, this time off Whelan, to remove Alex McChristie for two.

Walsall were finding the going hard, but did take 14 runs off Whelan's 12th over after he had conceded just 20 from the first 11.

Further wickets fell at 116 and 125. Richard Rawlinson was stumped by Jon Smith off Mansell for six and Adam Breakpear run out for a single. On 147 Dave Powles was caught by Wright off Mansell for the top score of 67, featuring six fours and three sixes.

Mansell captured his fourth wicket when dismissing Tom Freeman leg before for a duck.

Paul Byrne had scored 23 but was caught by Richard Kimberlin off Pinner while Colin Griggs (14) and David Ram (two) were the not out batsmen. Mansell returned good figures of 17-4-51-4 while Whelan had 1-34, Williams 1-30, Wright 1-49 and Pinner 1-12.

### Control

KVCC openers Craig Wood and Jon Smith were not quite as cautious as their Walsall counterparts, but with only 34 runs scored Smith was out lbw to Griggs for 21. Wood had reached 26 out of 56 when he was also leg before, to Jonker.

Neil Pinner, doing well with Worcestershire in the 40 overs game, was joined by James Ralph and they added 82 in 15 overs.

Pinner reached his 50 but was out caught Powles bowled Ram. Ram struck again when Ralph was caught by McChristie for 46, having struck five fours and a six, but the visitors were in control.

Andrew Kimberlin was caught and bowled by Ram for eight, but victory was now in sight and Wright (20) and Whelan (nine) secured a very good win with nearly 15 overs to spare.

Ram was the pick of the Walsall bowling taking 3-31. Griggs with 1-25 and Jonker 1-31 were the other wicket-takers.

On Saturday KVCC are at home to West Bromwich Dartmouth and travel to Wellington on Bank Holiday Monday (both noon).

## Belgium judo trip ends with fistful of medals



Emily Watson took medals in Belgium

SAMURAI judo players returned from Belgium with five medals from two competitions.

They competed in the Brussels Open on Saturday and then the Brugge Open on Sunday "on their way home".

Brussels was a tough event with players from a dozen different countries including strong squads from France, Germany and Holland as well as the Belgians.

Brendan Crummy, who finished seventh, had a superb ding-dong battle against the eventual gold medalist in which he led, trailed, equalised and then lost to a small score in extra time.

Frankie Marston was not at her best but Sarah Biles looked good for bronze only to be caught by a good throw, finishing fifth.

Emily Watson dominated the final against a good Belgian black belt but conceded a ground hold in extra time and had to settle for silver, adding bronze in a different weight category.

On Sunday Watson nursed a shoulder injury but Marston, Crummy and Biles all took a medal.

Indeed, Marston took gold without conceding a score.

Crummy landed silver, losing the final to a brilliant player, while Biles also took silver in a tough contest.

## Ralph leads the way in win

KIDDERMINSTER VICTORIA 149-9, BARNARDS GREEN 91-9. KVCC WON BY 58 RUNS

KIDDERMINSTER Victoria were comfortable winners in the ECB T20 against Barnards Green.

James Ralph (31), Ryan Derrick (27) and Jon Smith (22) all made runs in their 20-over tally of 149-9. Wicket takers for Barnards Green were Adam Dovey (4-42)

and John Dovey (2-27).

Barnards Green's top scorer was Tim Williams with 19 but they had no answer to Jonathan Wright (3-19) and Jack Hudson (3-20).

Kidderminster travel to Barnt Green on June 5.

## Better from Bewdley - and joy for Mills

BROMYARD (14PTS) 290-7, BEWDLEY (9PTS) 256-6. DRAW

BEWDLEY came away from Bromyard with a creditable losing draw after a much-improved performance.

Bromyard's overseas star, ex-Sri Lanka Test player Dinusha Fernando, arrived for his first game and duly obliged with a powerful 96 from only 66 balls.

For Bewdley Ewan Peer (1-18) bowled a fine opening spell, and Sam Beasley plugged away manfully for 16 overs and deserved better than 0-81. Jack Mills took 5-81 and had Fernando stumped on the verge of his century.

In reply Bewdley fell to 52-2, but a partnership of 147 between Rob Combes (80) and Nick Wilkinson

(80) gave them hope of an unlikely victory.

But both departed on 199, and although Gareth Lewis made 36 not out at a run a ball, Bewdley eventually finished well short.

ALVECHURCH (OFTS) 95, BEWDLEY (20PTS) 98-0. BEWDLEY WON BY 10 WICKETS

Bewdley seconds produced the best possible response to their defeat a week ago.

Cyril Ramsay conceded just 17 runs in his 17 overs and took two wickets, including the vital one of Mike Gilmour for 48.

But it was Dave Jones' 7-28 that reduced Alvechurch and Ben Jones Snr (49 not out) and Martin Flack (34 not out) knocked off the runs.

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